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THE COMMITTEE OF SAFETY.

The ORIGIN, OBJECTS and POWERS of the Committee of Safety may be sufficiently understood by the following historical statements:

In May (10,) 1774, the General Assembly of New Hampshire met at Portsmouth under the authority of JOHN WENTWOTRH, who was commissioned as Governor of the Province, by his Majesty, George the III, of England, in 1767. During this session. notwithstanding a strong remonstrance by the Governor, the House of Representatives—in sympathy with the people generally throughout the colonies—appointed a *Committee of Correspondence* for the purpose of interchanging important information with Committees in other colonies appointed or to be appointed for similar duties. The policy of the Governor was in favor of the crown; but the Representatives, jealous of their liberties, thwarted his measures. By letters sent to all the towns in New Hampshire, a Convention was called, which met in Exeter, July 21, 1774, composed of eighty-five delegates, who appointed NATHANIEL FOLSOM and JOHN SULLIVAN to attend the Congress which was to meet at Philadelphia in September following. A second Convention of deputies met in Exeter, January 25, 1775; a third in April 21, 1775, two days after the battle of Lexington.

On the 17th May, 1775, still another Convention met at Exeter, numbering *one hundred and fifty-one delegates*, from all or nearly all the towns in the Province; and, animated with one spirit, adopted decisive measures in defence of their liberties and rights. They styled themselves the FIRST PROVINCIAL CONGRESS of New Hampshire. Matthew Thornton, Esq., was chosen President, Ebenezer Thompson, Secretary, and the Convention was opened with prayer by the Rev. Josiah Stearns, of Epping. This Congress continued in session till September 2d, when they adjourned to October 31st; and then continued until November 16, when the time expired for which they were elected. In the mean

time, Governor Wentworth, attempting in vain to control the action of the Representatives, had withdrawn, first to the Fort in Portsmouth harbor; and then to the Isle of Shoals. In September, 1775, he issued a Proclamation, adjourning the Assembly to April next. "This was the last act of his administration, and the last time he set his foot in the Province."

By this first First Provincial Congress a COMMITTEE OF SAFETY was appointed on the 19th of May consisting of Hon. Matthew Thornton, Josiah Bartlett, William Whipple, Nathaniel Folsom, and Ebenezer Thompson, Esqrs. On Saturday, May 20th, the Congress adopted the following Preamble and Resolutions:

"Whereas, by the late acts of the British Parliament and conduct of the Ministers in pursuance thereof, it appears very evident that a plan is laid and now pursuing to subjugate this and the other American Colonies to the most abject slavery; and the late hostilities committed by the British Troops in our sister Colony of the Massachusetts Bay, leaves us no doubt in determining that no other way is left us to preserve our most darling Rights and inestimable Privileges, but by immediately defending them with arms: Reduced therefore by this most terrible necessity, this Convention, after the most solemn deliberation thereon, have

1. *Resolved*, That it is necessary to raise immediately two thousand effective men in this Province, including officers and those of this Province already in the service, and that the time from their inlistment continue to the last day of December, unless the Committee of Safety should judge it proper that a part or the whole be discharged sooner.

2. That every member pledge his honor and estate in the name of his constituents to pay their proportion of maintaining and paying the officers and soldiers of the above number while in their service.

3. That application be made immediately to the Continental Congress for their advice and assistance respecting means and ways to put the above plan into execution."

On the 26th of May the Provincial Congress voted the following instructions to the Committee of Safety:

"That the Committee of Safety be empowered and directed in the recess of the Congress, to take under their consideration all matters in which the welfare of the Province, in the security of their Rights, shall be concerned, except the appointment of the Field officers; and take the utmost care that the public sustain no damage, and that they act in the following manner.

1. That they see to it, that whatever plans have been determined upon by Congress, to be immediately carried into execution, which have not been entrusted to the management of any particular persons or Committee, shall be executed by such persons and in such ways as the Committee shall judge best.

2d. If any exigence not provided for by the Congress requires immediate attention, such as marching troops raised to expel an invasion in any part, or directing the motions of the militia within the Province, or without the Province with their own consent, for the same purpose; or make use of any special advantage for securing military stores, or securing any important post, or preventing our enemies from securing advantageous posts, or from obtaining military stores or provisions; they shall immediately take the most prudent and effectual methods to accomplish the above and similar purposes.

3d. That they be and hereby are impowered and directed to apply to the Committee of Supplies for the necessary stores, provisions, &c., for the effectual carrying the aforesaid Instructions into execution."

The Committee of Safety thus constituted and instructed, was continued in power, under the first Constitution, which was adopted January 6, 1776, until the close of the Revolutionary war, or to the 29th of May, 1784. During all this period it was in reality, the Executive Power of the government in relation to the conduct of the war, and hence was familiarly styled the "little Congress." Hon. Meshech Weare, who became a member of this Committee July 6, 1775, was chosen President of it Jan. 20, 1776, and annually, afterwards, till the Committee was dissolved. At the same time he was President of the COUNCIL of the State, that is, the chief Executive officer, from the adoption of the "temporary Constitution" January 6, 1776, till the new Constitution went into effect in June, 1784, when he was chosen President of the State of New Hampshire.*

The following are the names of the Committee of Safety, their residence, terms of service, and, so far as can be ascertained, their death and age.†

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* For more full information on this subject, our readers are referred to Belknap's History of New Hampshire, and to Historical data in the N. H. Annual Register, 1849 and 1852, by G. Parker Lyon.

† For many of the facts in this List the editor is much indebted to a List published by the late John Farmer, Esq., in Vol. II. N. H. Hist. Coll., and to the Annual N. H. Register.

Names.	Residence.	Term of Service.	Died.	Age.
Matthew Thornton,	Merrimack,	May 19, 1775, to Jan. 20, 1776, and July 5, 1776, to Jan. 20, 1777.	June 24, 1803	89
Josiah Bartlett,	Kingston,	May 19, 1775, to Jan. 20, 1776; and from Jan. 20, 1777, to May 28, 1778; and from Jan. 5, 1779, to May 29, 1784.	May 19, 1795	65
William Whipple,	Portsmouth,	May 19, 1775, to Jan. 20, 1776.	Nov. 10, 1785	54
Nathaniel Folsom,	Exeter,	May 19, 1775, to Jan. 20, 1777; and from Jan. 5, 1779, to Jan. 20, 1780; and from Jan. 3, 1783, to Jan. 8, 1784.	May 26, 1790	64
Ebenezer Thompson,	Durham,	May 19, 1775, to Jan. 31, 1781.	May 17, 1802	65
Israel Morey,	Orford,	May 24, 1775, to Jan. 20, 1776.		
Samuel Ashley,	Claremont,	May 24, 1775, to Jan. 20, 1776.	Feb. 18, 1792	71
Josiah Moulton,	Hampton,	May 24, 1775, to Jan. 31, 1781.		
Samuel Webster, Rev.	Temple,	May 24, 1775, to Jan. 20, 1776.		
Meshech Weare,	Hampton Falls.	July 6, 1775, to May 29, 1784.	Jan. 15, 1786	72
Phillips White,	So. Hampton,	Jan. 20, 1776, to Jan. 20, 1777; and Dec. 27, 1781, to autumn 1782.	June 24, 1811	82
Peirce Long,	Portsmouth,	Jan. 20, 1776, to Jan. 20, 1777.	April 3, 1789	50
John Dudley,	Raymond,	April 2, 1776, to May 29, 1784.	May 21, 1805	80
Robert Wilson,	Chester,	April 2, 1776, to July 5, 1776.		
Stephen Evans,	Dover,	April 2, 1776, to July 5, 1776.		
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Benjamin Barker,	Stratham,	July 5, 1776, to April 15, 1777.		
Matthew Patten,	Bedford,	July 5, 1776, to Jan. 20, 1777.	Aug. 27, 1795	76
Nathaniel S. Prentice,	Alstead,	July 5, 1776, to Jan. 20, 1777.		
Otis Baker,	Dover,	July 5, 1776, to Jan. 20, 1777.	Oct. 27, 1801	75
John Smith,	Durham,	July 5, 1776, to Jan. 20, 1777; from April 15, 1777, to June 20, 1777; and from Jan. 31, 1781, to Dec. 27, 1781.		
Samuel Cutts,	Portsmouth,	Sept. 24, 1776, to Dec. 14, 1776.		
Nicholas Gilman,	Exeter,	Jan. 20, 1777, to April 7, 1779.	April 7, 1783	52
George Gains,	Portsmouth,	Jan 20, 1777, to Jan, 31, 1781; and from autumn 1782, to Jan. 2, 1783.		
Thomas Odiorne,	Exeter,	Jan. 20, 1777, to April 15, 1777.		
Levi Dearborn,	No. Hampton,	Jan. 20, 1777, to April 15, 1777.		
Nathaniel Peabody,	Atkinson,	Jan. 20, 1777, to Aug. 27, 1778; and from Jan. 5, 1779, to April 7, 1779.	June 7, 1823	81
John Wentworth, Jr.,	Dover,	Jan. 20, 1777, to April 15, 1777; and from June 20, 1777, to May 28, 1778.	May 17, 1781	63

Names.	Residence.	Term of Service.	Died.	Age.
John McClary,	Epsom,	April 15, 1777, to May 28, 1778; from Aug. 26, 1778, to Jan. 20, 1780; and from Jan. 31, 1781, to Jan. 2, 1783.	June 16, 1801	82
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Jonathan Blanchard,	Dunstable,	Jan. 6, 1778—did not attend.	July 16, 1788	50
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Samuel Gilman,	New Market,	May 28, 1778, to April 7, 1779.		
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Samuel Philbrick,	Werea,	May 28, 1778, to Jan. 5, 1779.		
Samuel Hobart,	Hollis,	April 7, 1779, to May 20, 1780.		
John T. Gilman,	Exeter,	Jan 31, 1781, to Dec. 1781.		
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For means to publish these Records of the Committee of Safety, completing the 7th volume of its Collections, the New Hampshire Historical Society is greatly indebted to the liberality of the Legislature of the State. In answer to a Memorial of the Society, presented by Hon. W. H. Y. Hackett, John M. Shirley and Samuel D. Bell, in June 1861, an appropriation was made of *three hundred dollars* " to the New Hampshire Historical Society, to aid in preserving the Manuscript Records and letters relating to Colonial history of New Hampshire ; and in publishing such part of the same as said Society shall judge expedient."

Grateful for the liberal aid thus afforded, the Publishing Committee proceeded, as soon as practicable, to examine the Colonial Records, and to decide what portion should first be published. They were unanimous in the opinion that no part of our Records could be more interesting, at this juncture of our National affairs, than that embraced in the transition period from Colonial dependence on the British Crown, to the establishment of an independent State government : and as the Records of the COMMITTEE OF SAFETY, in that period, though often referred to, had never been published and were full of interesting details, in relation to the conduct of the war for Independence, the Committee were agreed, that the State appropriation for the Historical Society should be devoted to the publication of these Records.

In printing the Records the Committee have judged proper to follow the original copy as nearly as possible, in orthography, the use of Capitals, in abbreviations, and in the writing of names.

An Index of the principal matters of business transacted each year by the Committee of Safety, is prefixed ; and also a complete alphabetical list of Names of persons mentioned in the Record—which latter has been a work of much labor to arrange and complete.

The volume is most respectfully submitted to the judgment and patronage of the Honorable Legislature of the State, and to the people of New Hampshire, whose early Records are alike honorable to themselves and their fathers.

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RECORDS OF COMMITTEE OF SAFETY.

May 19*th*, 1775. A COMMITTEE OF SAFETY, appointed by the Congress, consisting of the following Persons, viz: Honble Matthew Thornton, Esqr., Josiah Bartlet, Esqr., Capt William Whipple, Nathaniel Folsom, Esqr., & Ebenezer Thompson, Esqr.

23*d*. The Committee of Safety was impower'd by Vote of Congress to recommend Persons they think proper for Chaplains, Surgeons & Surgeons Mates, and also to procure proper forms for enlisting Soldiers.

24. Israel Morey & Samuel Ashley, Esq., Capt Josiah Moulton & Revd Samuel Webster were added to the Committee of Safety, and said Committee was impowered to issue Orders for enlisting men sufficient for one Regiment, in the same manner as is practised in the Massachusetts bay, & receive Returns of men enlisted as is done there. Accordingly the same Day the Committee gave Orders to Winborn Adams of Durham, Winthrop Rowe of Kensington, Henry Elkins of Hampton, Samuel Gilman of Newmarket, Philip Tilton of Kingston, Benjamin Titcomb of Dover, Jonathan Wentworth of Somersworth, Jeremiah Clough of Canterbury, James Morris of Epping, & Zaccheus Clough of Poplin, to enlist each a Company, which orders, &c., were of the Forms following:

In Committee of Safety, Exeter.

1775.

To

S^{r}: You are hereby impowered immediately to enlist a Company to consist of Sixty-two able bodied and Effective men, well accoutred, including Serjeants, as Soldiers in the New Hampshire

Service for the Preservation of American Liberty, and cause them to pass muster as soon as possible.

Chairman.

Exeter, 1775.

Whereas you have this day received Orders for enlisting Sixty-two Soldiers, well accoutred, including Serjeants, for the New Hampshire Service for the Preservation of the Liberties of America, You are hereby acquainted that the Commission of a Captain in said Service shall be made out for you as soon as you have compleated the said Inlistment, and you will also be allowed to nominate two Subalterns to serve under you, who will receive Commissions accordingly, if the Committee shall approve of them.

By order of the Committee of Safety.

Chairman.

The Enlistment:

We, the Subscribers, do hereby severally solemnly engage and enlist ourselves as Soldiers in the New Hampshire Service for the Preservation of the Liberties of America, from the Day of our enlistment to the last Day of December next, unless the Service should admit of a Discharge of a part or the whole sooner, which shall be at the Discretion of the Committee of Safety, & we hereby promise to submit ourselves to all the Orders & Regulations of the Army, & faithfully to observe & obey all such orders as we shall receive from time to time from our officers.

1775.

26*th*. The Committee was Impowered in the Recess of Congress to take under their Consideration all Matters in which the welfare of the Province, in the Security of their Rights, shall be concerned, except the appointment of the Field Officers, & to take the utmost Care that the Public sustain no Damage & - - - act in the following manner, viz:—

1st. That they see to it that whatever Plans have been determined upon by the Congress to be immediately carried into Execution, which have not been entrusted to the management of any Particular Persons or Committee, shall be executed by such Persons & in such way as the Committee shall judge best.

2d. That if any Exigence not provided for by the Congress requires immediate attention, such as marching Troops raised, to

repel an Invasion in any Part or directing the motions of the Militia for the same Purpose, or making Use of any Special Advantage for Securing Military Stores, or Securing any Important Post, or preventing our Enemies from securing advantageous Posts or from obtaining Military Stores or Provisions; immediately they shall take the most prudent & effectual Method to accomplish the above & similar Purposes.

3dly. That they be and hereby are impowered and directed to apply to the Committee of Supplies for the Necessary Stores & provisions for the Effectual carrying the aforesaid Instructions into Execution.

June 1*st.* The Committee was impowered to give out enlisting orders to Ten Persons to enlist each a Company of Sixty-two Soldiers, including non-Commission officers, to make a Regiment to be under the command of Col. Reid; accordingly the Committee gave Orders to enlist the said Companies to Levi Spaulding, Josiah Crosbie, William Walker, Ezra Town, Hezekiah Hutchins, Henry Moore, Jacob Hinds, and Benjamin Mann — the other Two Companies ordered to be taken out of Col. Stark's Regiment.

3*d.* The Committee was impowered to Commissionate a Company of Sixty men on the western Frontiers, which with two other Companies already raised are to be stationed to guard said Frontiers.

5*th.* The Congress agreed & Voted to raise an Artillery Company and impowered the Committee to Commission the same.

6*th.* The Committee was impowered to appoint Muster Masters to Muster the Soldiers.

Capt Henry Gerrish was accordingly appointed to Muster Capt Jeremiah Clough's Company & to make return as soon as may be.

The Committee appointed Samuel Hobart, Esq., to Muster all the Companies not already mustered, who is to make return as soon as possible.

8*th.* The Committee gave the following orders to the Committee of Supplies:

Exeter, 8*th June*, 1775.

To the Committee of Supplies:

Gent. You are desired to procure immediately for the Use of

the Army now raising in this Colony the following Supplies & send them to such places as you shall be hereafter directed:

600 Barrels of Pork.
100 Tons of Bread & Flour.
5 Tons of Lead—one Ton of which to be immediately cast into Balls.
12 M Flints.
20 Tons of Powder.
100 Pick Axes.
100 Spades & Shovels.
500 Bushels Beans & Pease.
3000 Gallons Molasses.
120 Tents, to be made of Raven's duck.
1000 pr. Shoes.
30 Doz. Stockings.
1500 Gall^{s} Rum.
10—0—0 cwt. Sugar.
300 Iron Pots, ab^{t} 2 Gall^{s}.
100 Tin Kettles, ab^{t} 6 & 8 Q^{ts}.
600 wooden bowls & Platters.
100 Oxen.
200 Knapsacks.
100 Quintals Fish.
1000 lb. Butter.
1000 lb. Cheese.

1775, *June* 13*th*. Committee delivered Israel Gilman, Esq., his Commission of Lieutenant Colonel of the Third Regiment of the N. Hamp. Forces & administred the oath to him and ordered him to join his Regiment at Cambridge.

14*th*. Gave the following order to the Receiver General:

In Committee of Safety, *June* 14*th*, 1775.

To Col. Nicholas Gilman:

Sr You are desired to deliver to the Bearer, Mr Burbank of Conway, Twenty-five pounds of Gun powder & take his Receipt for the same.

by order of the Committee.

15. *In Committee of Safety, June 15th*, 1775.

Capt Henry Elkins:

Sr You are directed hereby to man two whale Boats out of your Company, & keep them constantly cruising off & on the Coast, & direct them to acquaint all Vessels bound to Piscataqua, having Provisions, Salt, or Molasses on board, that the Man of War there has orders to Seize them; and advise them to get into York, Newbury-Port, Hampton, or Rye, as they may judge expedient.

by order of the Committee.

The Committee gave the Receiver General orders to deliver to Capt Henry Elkins, Twenty pounds of Gun powder, taking his receipt for the same to be accounted for.

16. *In Committee of Safety, Exeter, June 16th*, 1775.

To the Committee of Supplies:

Gentlemen:

You are desired without delay to procure at Cambridge, of Mr Trumbal, or any other Person or Persons, on the best Terms you can, about one Month's Provision for Two thousand Men, as part of your general Orders of the Eighth of June, & Deliver it to Mr Moses Emerson, our Commissary at Cambridge, and also procure for him Sufficient Store houses there.

By order of the Committee.

In Committee of Safety, June 16th, 1775.

To the Committee of Supplies:

Gentlemen:

We desire you to procure as soon as you can Five Doz. of Hatchets or Small Axes, and lodge Four Doz. of them with the Commissary at Cambridge, and keep the Remainder in Safe Custody for the present. We also desire you to fix a Number of Guard Houses, for the accommodation of the Soldiers stationed on the Coast, as you shall see and judge needful, not exceeding Six in number.

By order of the Committee.

In Committee of Safety, June 17th, 1775.

Orders given to Capt Jeremiah Clough to Muster his Company

on Wednesday, the twenty-eighth Day of June inst., at Canterbury, there to await further orders.

Ordered that Nathaniel Perkins of Canterbury, (provided he enlist as a Soldier,) shall be Armourer of Col. Poor's Regiment & be allowed the Same Wages, including that of a Soldier, as is allowed Armourers in the Massachusetts Service.

Received a Letter from Col^{n} Reid, dated Charlestown, June 15th, 1775, with a Return of his Regiment, &c., as on file.

Received a Letter from Lieut^{t} Col^{o} Gilman, dated Charlestown, June 15th, 1775.

filed.

In Committee of Safety, at Exeter, the 17th of June, 1775.

To General Folsom:

Sr You are required to order two of the Companies in Col^{o} Poor's Regiment, viz: Capt Adams' & Capt Tilton's, to march by the middle of Next Week to Join the Army at or near Cambridge, in the Massachusetts Bay, there to receive further orders.

MATTHEW THORNTON, *Chairman.*

June 18th. Upon receiving the News of the Engagement at Charlestown, directed Col^{o} Poor to order all the Companies in his Regiment, except Capt. Elkins' to March immediately to Cambridge.

Received a Letter from the Continental Congress, dated June the tenth, 1775, enclosing sundry of their Resolves—filed.

Wrote to Saml Cutts, Esqr desiring him to procure ten Reams of the best Paper he could get & send it here tomorrow; also to engage all the Saltpetre and Brimstone in Portsm^{o} & to send the Saltpetre here as soon as may be; to employ as many hands as can be employed on the Tents & to add Eighty to the number already ordered.

Ordered the Selectmen or Committee of Stratham to Supply their men with Firearms.

Ordered the Selectmen of Kingston to deliver Samuel Philbrick Six Barrels of Powder, to be by him conveyed to the Army.

19th. Received a Letter from the Chamber of Supplies at Watertown, Dated the 18th June, 1775, by Mr. Woods—filed.

Answered the above by the same Messenger—copy filed.

Rec^{d} from S. Cutts, Esqr four Reams & 2 Quires of Paper & a Letter from him by Mr Young, who was sent hence to him to ge^{t} Paper—Letter filed.

In Committee of Safety, June 20th, 1775.

Orders given Col. Nich^{s} Gilman to deliver Capt. Benj^{a} Titcomb Thirty pounds of Gun powder for the use of his Company & to take his rec^{t} for the Same.

Orders given to Maj. Coffin to deliver Capt Titcomb fifteen pounds of bullets for the Use of his Company, taking his receipt for it.

Order given Maj. Coffin to deliver Moses Meader, of Capt Adams' Company, twenty bullets, taking his rec^{t} for them.

21. Mem^{m} of Sundry Articles Sent to Cambridge by Mr Nathl Gordon:

1 Cask Flints, Q^{ty} 3200.

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5 Keggs Bullets, w^{t}	113	3
	110	4
	62	2
	123	4
	220	$5\frac{1}{2}$

30 Tents & Poles & Pins for D^{o}

10 bbls. Powder, 100 lb. each.

25 Tin Buckets.

7 Milled Blankets.

6 Oxen.

Ordered Mr Commissary Emerson to proceed directly to Cambridge & to take into his Custody all Stores there belonging to this Colony, & to issue the same to our Forces in the same manner as Stores of the same kind are delivered to the Massachusetts forces.

Ordered the Receiver Genl to pay Commissary Emerson eleven pounds by him to be accounted for. 11–0–0

Ordered the Receiver Genl to pay Jedediah Robinson fifteen pounds Six Shill^{s} for a Yoke of Oxen purchased of him for our Army. 15–6

Ordered Receiver Genl to pay Nath. Ordway fourteen pounds fourteen shill^{s} for Do. 14–14

Ordered Receiver Genl to pay Genl Folsom Twelve pounds fifteen shill^{s} for Do. 12–15

D'ld Commissary Emerson Eight Quires out of the Paper rec^{d} of Mr Cutts.

Gave Esqr Rice a Rec^{t} for two Barrels of the Powder sent by Mr Gordon.

Recd a Letter from the Congress at Watertown, June 13th 1775 —filed.

rec^{d} D° from Mr James McGregore, Dated Medford, June 19th 1775—filed.

rec^{d} D° from Col° Stark, Dated Medford, June 19th 1775—filed.

23. rec^{d} D° from Genl Folsom, dated Medford, June 22^{d} 1775 —filed.

Wrote to the Selectmen of New Market to Send by Nicho^{s} Nichols four barrels of the Provincial Gunpowder now in their Custody, to be dealt out as the public service may require.

24. Mr Nichols Returned from Newmarket with one bbl. of Gun powder only.

Ordered the Receiver Genl to pay the Committee of Supplies Thirty pounds Lawful Money & to Charge to Colo^{y} Acct. 30–0

In Committee of Safety, June 24th, 1775.

To the Committee of Supplies:

Gent^{m} You are desired to send to Israel Morey, Esqr at Orford, in the County of Grafton, Twenty Barrels of Pork & Twenty Barrels of Flour as soon as may be, for the use of the Soldiers to be employed in the North western frontiers of this Colony; and that the Remainder you have purchased that way be safely secured till furthur Orders.

By order of the Committee.

MATTHEW THORNTON, *Chairman.*

Ordered Nich^{s} Gilman, Esq., to deliver to Nathan Goss Thirty pounds of Gun powder for the use of the Parish of Rye.

26th. rec^{d} another bbl. Powder from New Market.

26. recd Letter from Genl Folsom p^{r} Mr Emery, dated June 24th 1775—filed.

recd Letter from M^{r} McGregore p^{r} Do., Dated June 24th 1775—filed.

26. rec^{d} Letter from Genl Folsom p^{r} Esq. Tilton, dated June 24th 1775—filed.

directed Capt Elkins to order his Boatmen to put in to the Shoals & bring to Hampton any Cannon Shot they may find there, if the People at the Shoals will allow it to be done.

directed Lieut. Bartlett to pick out two of the largest, strongest & best Cannon that were taken from fort William & Mary last winter, & convey them to Exeter as soon as possible, in order to their being sent to the Army at Medford.

Answered Genl Folsom's Letters p^{r} Mr Dearing, who went with a horse Team to Medford, with Blanketing, Entrenching Tools, &c.—filed.

27. rec^{d} a Letter from Genl Folsom, dated June, 1775—filed.

rec^{d} a Letter from Continental Congress, dated June 20, 1775, with a resolve of said Congress enclosed—filed.

28. wrote Genl Folsom p^{r} Stephen Piper of Stratham.

29. rec^{d} a Letter from Genl Folsom, dated 25th June, 1775—filed.

30. *In Committee of Safety, Exeter, June* 30th, 1775.

To the Committee of Supplies.

Gentlemen:

In as much as you may find many things necessary for the use of the Army, which do not come within the Limits of any particular Directions from this Committee, the procuring which Articles may not admit so much delay as to afford Time for an application to the Committee of Safety, you are therefore desired according to your Best Judgement & with the strictest attention to Economy, to procure such necessary Articles, rendering an account for allowance to the Committee of Safety, at least once in Ten Days, of all articles so furnished.

By order of the Committtee,

MATTHEW THORNTON, *Chairman.*

30. Ordered the Receiver General to pay to the Committee of Supplies Six hundred pounds L. M., to be by them accounted for. 600–0

June 30*th.* Ordered the Receiver General to pay to Samuel Hobart, Esq., paymaster of the Forces of this Colony, four thousand five hundred Pounds Lawful Money. 4500–0

Ordered the Receiver General to Deliver Lt. —— —— forty-two pounds of Gun powder for the use of Capt Langdon's Company at Portsm^{o} & to take his rec^{t} to be accountable for it.

July 1. Ordered the Receiver General to pay to the Committee of Supplies five hundred pounds. 500–0

Wrote to Genl Folsom by Maj^{r} Hobart—copy filed.

Wrote to Col^{o} Reid by Do.—copy filed.

In Consequence of Messrs Child & Ashley being appointed a Committee to wait upon the Congress of the Massa. & the Assemblies of Rhode Island & Connecticut as p^{r} Vote of Congress, Ordered the Receiver General to pay the said Child Six pounds, L. M., to be by him accounted for. 6–0–0

4. Ordered the Receiver General to pay Jonathan Robinson Forty Shillings, being his month's pay as a Soldier in Capt Gilman's Company, he being at home on furlow. 2–0

Ordered the Receiver General to pay Amos Dakin Forty Shillings, being a month's pay for the use of the Widow of one Joseph Blood who was killed in the Army, to be by said Dakin accounted for. 2–0

5. Ordered the receiver Genl to pay Samuel Calley four pounds Sixteen Shillings for a Waggon by him made for the use of this Colony. 4–16

6. ordered the Receiver Genl to pay the Committee of Supplies One Thousand pounds L. M., to be by them accounted for. 1000–0

Appointed Capt Josiah Moulton paymaster of Capt Elkins' Company for 1st month's wages.

Ordered Receiver General to pay Capt Josiah Moulton one

hundred Thirty nine pounds Sixteen Shillings L. M., for the first month's pay of Capt Elkins' Company. 139–16

Appointed Israel Morey, Esqr paymaster of the first month's Wages of Capt Beetle's Company.

July 6th, 1775. Ordered the Receiver Genl to pay Israel Morey, Esqr one hundred Thirty nine pounds Sixteen Shillings L. M., being for the first month's pay of Capt Beetle's Company. 139–16

Hon. MESHECH WEARE, Esqr was added to the Committee of Safety.

Ordered the Receiver Genl to pay Eb^{r} Thompson, Esqr thirty one pounds four Shillings, being the Expense of making the £10,050 lately emitted by order of the Congress of this Colony. 31–4

Previous to the drawing the orders of this Day's Date, Capt Willm Whipple was chosen Chairman of this Committee, P. T.

7th. Ordered Samuel Hobart, Esqr to pay the Surplus of the money left in his hands, (after paying the Troops according to Directions,) to those of the Committee of Supplies at head Quarters, Medford.

Ordered the Receiver Genl to pay Mr John Wheelock forty two Shill^{s} & three pence half penny, being the amount of his Acct. of Expenses, time and horse, in a journey to Watertown, by order of Congress. 2–2–3½

Gave James Osgood orders to enlist twenty Effective Soldiers.

Appointed Capt David Page to Muster the Men that shall be enlisted by James Osgood.

Gave John Parker orders to Enlist Sixty three men for Soldiers.

Made out Commissions for Col^{o} Beedel as Captain, Abraham Palmer as Lieutenant, Richd Nelson as Ensign of the first Company of Rangers in the service of this Colony.

dated 23rd June, 1775, the Day they were Mustered.

Gave Capt Beedel the following orders:

Sr You are directed to proceed immediately to Northumberland or Lancaster with your Company, or such part thereof as you think proper, and there, in Conjunction with the Inhabitants, erect

a Garrison in such a place as you, with their advice, shall judge most suitable, Sufficient for Defense against Small Arms; and when that is Compleated to assist in Building Garrisons in such other Places on the Frontiers as you, with the Advice of the Inhabitants shall judge most necessary, sending out such Scouts from Time to Time for Intelligence as you shall think expedient; And also to take the Charge of all such Provisions as may be sent you and Cause the same properly to be delivered to Yours and other Companies that may be posted by the Congress or this Committee on Connecticut River; and purchase Beef, Bread, &c., as may be requisite, & return your accounts to this Committee for their allowance & payment; and also to use your utmost endeavors to gain & keep the Friendship of the Indians by small Donations, &c.; and if any thing of Importance should occur to send Information thereof to this Committee by immediate Expresses; and to take up and examine any person you may suspect of attempting to cross the Country to Canada with a Design to hurt the Cause of America, & if after Examination you are satisfied of such Design, that you secure him or them & send them down here for Trial, and to use your Discretion with Regard to any others who evidently appear to be inimical to the Liberties of America. In Case of any Attack upon any of the Inhabitants in those Parts to whom you can possibly afford assistance, you are to do it without Delay.

By order of the Committee.

W. WHIPPLE, Chairman P. T.

Gave Matthew Thornton orders to enlist forty-three able bodied men as Soldiers.

Gave Seth Wheeler orders to Enlist Ten able bodied men as Soldiers.

Upon application of Selectmen of Newton, informing that they had been opposed in endeavouring to apprehend a Deserter from the Army in order to send him back, & requesting Advisement thereon, wrote to the Inhabitants of Said Town as on file.

Ordered Committee of Supplies to Send two bbls. Gun powder, Eight hundred Pounds of Lead or bullets, Six hundred flints, & Blankets for forty Soldiers, and all other necessaries for the use of the Troops on the western Frontier of this Colony to Coos.

Ordered Receiver Genl to pay Saml Folsom forty pounds fourteen Shillings & a penny, being for the board, Housekeeping & Expenses of Committee to this Day. 40–14–1

Ordered D° to pay Tim^{y} Beedel, Esqr forty five Shill^{s} & Six pence, the amount of his acc^{t} of Expenses, &c., in a journey to Watertown by Order of Congress. 2–5–6

Wrote J. Hancock, Esqr President of Continental Congress.

Wrote to New Hamp. Delegates at Continental Congress, and to Dr Langdon, at Cambridge, enclosing two former Letters.

13. Ordered Committee of Supplies to forward to head Quarters fourteen Barrels Gunpowder & a Quantity of Bullets.

14. Ordered Receiver Genl to pay Wm Parker, j^{r} one hundred and fifty pounds, first month's Wages of Capt Shortridge's Company. 150–0

July 14*th*. Appointed Wm Whipple, Esqr paymaster of first month's Wages of Capt Shortridge's Company, & Eliphalet Daniel to muster them.

19. Ordered Receiver Genl to pay Messrs Folsom, Parsons & Evans (Committee to procure five hundred fire arms to be made,) Thirty pounds, to be by them accounted for. 30–0

Ordered D° to pay James Proctor nine pounds for Sixty Shod Shovels by him supplied. 9–0

Ordered D° to pay Jonathan Perkins Ten Shill^{s} amount of his acc^{t} for keeping Door of Congress, &c. 0–10

Ordered D° to pay Moses Parsons three pounds ten Shillings, amount of his acc^{t} for Expenses in journeying after Gunsmiths. 3–10

Ordered D° to pay Capt Josiah Moulton three pounds Sixteen Shillings, being the Sum he had advanced for his board & Expenses as one of the Committee of Safety. 3–16

Ordered D° to pay Eben^{r} Thompson, Esqr Thirty pounds, to be by him accounted for. 30–0

24. Ordered D° to pay Committee of Supplies Six hundred Pounds, to be by them accounted for. 600–0

Ordered D° to pay Gen[l] Sullivan thirty pounds, to be by him accounted for. 30–0

Appointed W[m] Parker, jr., to muster Cap[t] Parker's Company & to pay them first month's wages.

31. Ordered Receiver Gen[l] to pay W. Parker, jr., one hundred and twenty pounds, first month's Wages of part of Cap[t] Jno. Parker's Company. 120–0

Aug. 1*st.* Ordered D° to Pay Cap[t] Josiah Moulton Ninety Seven pounds ten Shillings, to pay Billeting for Cap[t] Elkin's Company. 97–10

Ordered Cap[t] Elkins to March his Company immediately to join the Army at Medford.

Col° Thornton Bartlett & D[r] Thompson, who at the request of this Committee went on Monday last to Confer with Gen[l] Washington & Gen[l] Court of Mass[a] returned on Friday evening, having been on that business five Days.

Aug. 1*st.* Maj[r] Hubbard made Return of his Mustering and paying the Regiments of this Colony at Medford.

Ordered Receiver Gen[l] to pay Joseph Stacey Sixteen Shillings for dieting Prisoners & Turn Keys. 0–16

Ordered D° to pay Cap[t] James Page forty five Pounds Sixteen Shillings, month's Wages for part of Cap[t] Osgood's Company. 45–16

Ordered the Committee of Supplies to deliver Cap[t] Page Twenty pounds of Gunpowder & ½ of Lead.

7*th.* Received a Letter from Gen[l] Washington & another from Gen[l] Sullivan by Maj. Cilley. In Consequence of which ordered the Maj[r] to endeavor to have all the Powder (remaining in the Colony which was taken from Fort W[m] & Mary,) to be Sent to Exeter.

Ordered the Committee of Supplies to send twelve bbls. Powder to Medford.

Ordered Receiver Gen[l] to pay Moses Parsons, one of the Committee for procuring five hundred fire arms, twenty five Pounds, to be by him accounted for. 25–0

Received a Letter from Continental Congress.

Wrote to Genl Schuyler relative to the three Companies of Rangers in this Colony.

Wrote to Col^{o} Bedel ordering him to wait on Genl Schuyler & to confer with him concerning the above.

8*th*. Ordered Receiver Genl to pay the Committee of Supplies Six hundred pounds, to be by them accounted for. 600–0

Ordered D^{o} to pay Israel Morey, Esqr one hundred & Sixteen pounds ten Shillings to pay the first month's wages of part of Capt Parker's & part of Capt Osgood's Company. 116–10

Ordered Samuel Cutts, Esqr to send all the Bullets, Flints & Brimstone immediately to Exeter.

Wm Parker made Return of the Roll of part of Capt Parker's Company (viz: 53 of them,) & their Receipt for first month's wages.

Israel Morey, Esqr returned Receipt of first month's pay of Capt Bedel's Company.

Wrote Revd Mr Peabody of Atkinson, inviting him to be Chaplain to one of the Regiments of this Colony in the United American Army.

Wrote the Rev^{d} M^{r} McClintock on the same account.

15. Appointed Revd Samuel Webster Chaplain of one of the New Hamp. Regiments in the Amer. Army.

Ordered Receiver Genl to pay the Committee of Supplies Two hundred pounds, to be by them accounted for. £200–0

Wrote Committee of Supplies at Medford ordering them to close their accounts, &c.

21. Ordered Receiver Genl to pay Theodore Carlton fourteen pounds Six Shillings, for boarding Col^{o} Fenton, &c. 14–6

Rev^{d} M^{r} McClintock accepted the Invitation to be Chaplain of one of our Colony Regiments & appointed accordingly.

Ordered Receiver Genl to pay Noah Emery, Esqr five pounds Six Shillings & three pence, for Boxes for the Inf^{r} Court papers & filing the same. 5–6–3

Ordered Receiver Genl to pay Saml Folsom, Esqr forty two

Shill^{s} for a Gun for Thos Creighton, a Soldier in Capt Rowe's Company. 2–2

24. Ordered Receiver Genl to pay Samuel Morril & John Narnum Six pounds, being for their and Parker Hill's first month's Wages—being Soldiers in Capt Heze^{h} Hutchins' Company, Col^{o} Reid's Regiment—the two former Wounded, the last Killed in the Charlestown fight, 17th of June last. N. B. said Hill's wages were Paid to an order from his father. 6–0

Wrote Genl Sullivan by Mr Hobbs, a special Messenger on a par^{r} occasion—copy filed.

25. Ordered the Receiver Genl to pay Committee of Supplies one Thousand Pounds, to be by them accounted for. 1000–0

At the Request of Mr Joseph Pierce, ordered Deac^{n} Brooks to deliver him one of the Blank books of Records for Deeds.

Pursuant to Vote of Congress, Josiah Bartlett, Esqr received out of the Colony Treasury one hundred & forty Pounds. 140–0

29. Ordered Receiver Genl to pay Timothy Bedel, Esqr Ten pounds nine Shillings & a penny, the amount of his account of Expenses on the Message to Genl Schuyler to and from Ticonderoga, by order of Committee of Safety, and Sixty pounds more, to be by him accounted for. 70–9–1

Ordered Receiver Genl to pay Genl Folsom Sixty two pounds ten Shillings & three pence, the Ballance due to him for his Services at the Continental Congress in the year 1774, pursuant to Vote of Congress last Winter & this Summer again. 62–10–3

30. Ordered the Receiver Genl to pay Capt James Osgood forty one pounds two Shillings & Six pence, for billet^{g} himself & twenty men at 9^{d} p^{r} Day, 41–2–6 and thirty Six Shillings & two pence half penny, amount of his acc^{t} for returning Muster Roll of Said Men, and 1–16–2½

Twelve pounds for Blankets for 20 Men, 12–0

being fifty four pounds Eighteen Shillings & Eight pence half penny in the whole. 54–18–8½

Received a Letter from Genl Sullivan in answer to ours of the 24th Ins^{t}

Ordered Receiver Genl to pay John Geddinge, Esqr twenty nine pounds Eighteen Shillings and Ten pence, to be by him accounted for. 29–18–10

Sept. 1. Ordered Receiver Genl to pay Israel Morey, Esqr fifty nine pounds, to be by him accounted for. 59–0

Ordered D^{o} to pay Jon^{a} Childe, Esqr fifty Shillings & eight pence, amount of his account of Expenses for Mustering Col^{o} Bedel's & part of Capt Osgood's Company. 2–10–8

Ordered D^{o} to pay Revd Abiel Foster forty Shillings, for one month's pay for Geo. Shannon, a Soldier killed in the Charlestown fight. 2–0–0

Ordered D^{o} to pay Joseph Stacy $^{6}|_{3}$ for Victualing & turn key, &c., of David Campbell. 0–6–3

2*d.* Ordered D^{o} to pay John Langdon, Esqr one hundred pounds, to be by him accounted for. 100–0

Ordered D^{o} to pay Committee of Supplies five hundred Pounds, to be by them accounted for. 500–0

Sep'r 11. Upon the Request of Moses Baker & others in behalf of the Town of Newmarket, agreed to Suspend the making out a Commission for Lieutenant Colon^{l} of the fourth Regiment of Militia in this Colony till the next Meeting of the Congress, that they may have Opportunity to prefer a Petition against the Persons being commissioned who was chosen by Congress to that office.

12. To the Committee of Supplies:

You are desired to pay all Reasonable Accounts of any Town or Parish in this Colony for Supplying the Several Companies in Col^{o} Poor's Regiment with Provisions for their March from their respective homes to join the Army.

By order of the Committee.

M. THORNTON, *Chairman.*

Ordered the Receiver Genl to pay the Committee of Supplies two hundred pounds, to be by them accounted for. 200–0

agreed that Wm Whipple, Esqr & Genl Folsom should wait on Genl Washington, to enquire of him concerning the Coats promised the Troops, &c.

16*th*. received a Message from Genl Washington, requiring the payment of certain Wages to those New Hamp. Troops bound to Canada under Col^{o} Arnold.

Appointed Dea. Brooks to pay said Troops.

27. ordered Receiver Genl to pay Wm Whipple, Esq., one hundred forty two pounds Six Shillings L. M., to pay Capt Salter's Comp^{y} one month's Wages. 142–6

Ordered Receiver Genl to pay Daniel Fowle, Esqr., thirty Six pounds four Shill^{s} the ballance of his acc^{t} this Day Exam^{d} & Adjusted. 36–4

George King, Esqr appointed to pay Capt Salter's Company their first Month's wages.

Wrote to Col^{os} Reid, Poor & Stark, to order their several Captains to take and Send Rolls of their respective Companies from the time of their Enlistment to the 4th of August.

Sep'r 27. *In Committee of Safety*, *Exeter*, *Sep.* 27th, 1775.

Capt Titus Salter:

You are hereby directed to take the Command of the Batteries on Pierce's & Sevey's Islands and keep a constant Guard at each with your Company, taking Care to exercise them in the handling & management of Cannon & such other Exercises as you shall think necessary to make them Capable of doing their Duty at said Fortifications. You are not to suffer any Vessel to pass said Fortifications up the River without a Permit from the Committee of Safety of Portsmouth, except such Vessels as you are satisfied are only on a fair Trade. And if any armed Vessel shall attempt to pass without such permit, you are to prevent the Same by firing upon & destroying Such Vessel if necessary. But in all Cases where time will admit of taking the advice of the said Committee of Portsmouth, you are to do it, and not fire on any Vessel that shall come into the Harbour without their advice & Consent if you have Time to obtain the Same.

Ordered Receiver Genl to pay Committee of Supplies three hundred pounds, to be by them accounted for. 300–0

Ordered Receiver Genl to pay Committee of Supplies three thousand Pounds, to be by them accounted for. 3000–0

28th. Ordered Receiver Gen[l] to pay Deac[n] Brooks three hundred & forty Eight Pounds Seven Shillings, the amount of the Wages paid the N. Hampshire Troops, in Col[o] Arnold's Detachment, & Expenses of paying them. 348–7

S[r] We desire you to proceed to the Army & there pay each non-Commissioned Officer & Soldier of the Troops raised by this Colony, Twenty-four Shillings each, to be in full for the Coats promised them, Excepting such as entered on Duty since the fourth of August. Also pay each man as aforesaid Twelve Shillings, who has never received a Blanket, & if found by himself—provided the Selectmen of his respective Town did not take an Account thereof, which you are Strictly to examine into: And to each Person his loss in cloathing & Soldier's Accoutrements, sustained at Charlestown Battle, deducting out to such as have received a Coat, the Value thereof—each Person producing an account of his Loss & the Value thereof, under oath, that they have not over rated the same, which oath you are desired to administer. And when any Soldier is absent on furlow, or his place supplied by another, that the money be paid the Captain, taking his Receipt therefor.

Col[o] Tim[y] Walker.

In Committee of Safety, Sept. 28th, 1775.

M. THORNTON, *Chairman.*

In Committee of Safety, Exeter, Sept. 28th, 1775.

To the Committee appointed to Build Batterys to command the passage in Piscataqua River:

Gentlemen: It is Tho't expedient to lay a Boom across the River from Peirce's to Seevey's Island, Strong enough to hinder the passage of Vessels, if possible. Therefore you are desired to take such condemned Masts as you can find most proper for the occasion, and fit a Boom for the aforesaid purpose, by securing them with Iron, in such a manner & place as you shall Judge best to answer the purpose.

Received a Long Letter from Gen[l] Sullivan & wrote him a Long Answer—Copy enclosed in his on file.

Ordered Receiver Gen[l] to pay W[m] Parker ten pounds, to be by him accounted for. 10–0

Deac^{n} Brooks made return of his paying of the Detach^{t} of N. H. Troops under Col^{o} Arnold.

Oct. 10*th*, 1775. Received a Letter from the Committee of Portsmouth, informing of the Capture of the Ship Prince George, by a Sub Committee, with a Copy of Genl Washington's Letter to s^{d} Committee, about the Cargo of said Ship.

Ordered George King, Esqr to take Charge of the Cargo of the Ship Prince George, & to deliver to Samuel Cutts, Esqr one hundred Bbls. of Flour, at such Times & in such Quantities as he may need it to Supply the Soldiers at the Batteries in Piscataqua Harbour.

received a Letter from Genl Sullivan enclosing a Petition of the Field officers of the N. Hamp. Troops at Winter Hill, requesting that the Genl may be entrusted with blank Commissions to fill up Vacancies in the Regiments there.

Wrote the Genl Sullivan an Answer to his Letter & the said Petition.

Gave Capt Robt Parker orders to enlist a Company of Matrosses consisting of forty four men, inclusive of himself, one Lieutenant & two Sargeants, to guard and defend the Battery on Seevey's Island for the term of one Month, unless it should appear to the Congress or this Committee Expedient to dismiss them sooner, & engage them the Same pay for the Time they shall be in the Service as Capt Salter's Company are to have, & that he enlist no man but is well accoutred.

rec^{d} a Letter from Genl Sullivan in ans^{r} to ours of 28th last.

11*th*. Wrote Genl Washington relative to the above mentioned Ship & Cargo.—Copy on file.

12*th*. Wrote to Messrs Bartlet & Langdon at the Continental Congress—copy filed.

Appointed Jon^{a} Perkins Special Express to carry the above Letters to Tim^{y} Walker Esq., at Winter Hill.

desired Dea^{c} Brooks, one of the Committee of Supplies, to advance Perkins four Dollars for his Expenses.

In Committee of Safety, Oct. 12th, 1775.

This Committee, taking into Consideration the necessity of the Regiments of Minute men being as speedily raised as possible, hav^g reviewed the Votes of Congress relative thereto & found a Vote for the Soldiers that enlist in the Minute Service to "continue till further Orders of the Congress," which Vote must have been a Mistake of the Scribe, or passed over by the Congress thro' the hurry and Multiplicity of the Business they were engaged in when that passed, as it is very evident that the Designs of Congress was to follow the Directions of the Continental Congress.

Therefore it is now resolved by this Committee that the said Minute men be enlisted for the Term of four Months, & that at the End of Said Four Months the Officers proceed to enlist their Companies again in the same Manner as at first. And it is earnestly recommended to the Person who shall be appointed to Enlist Minute men to Use their utmost Endeavors to fill up the Companies as soon as possible; and to the Soldiers at this important Crisis, when our all is at Stake, to engage in the Service, and as they will be relieved in four months, the Duty will be nearly equal among all the Militia. And the following Form is to be used for Enlistment:

We, the Subscribers, do hereby severally enlist ourselves as Minute Men for the Term of four Months, in the Company under the Command of —— —— in the ——— Regiment of Minute men in the Colony of New Hampshire. And we hereby promise to Submit ourselves to the orders & Regulations of said Minute men, & faithfully to observe & obey Such Orders as we shall receive from Time to Time from our Officers.

Oct. 16. Received a Letter from Genl Washington & another from Col^o Tim^y Walker, in answer to ours of the 11th Instant, by Perkins, the Express; & a Letter of the Genl to Step^n Moylan, Esqr at Portsmouth, which forwarded by Mr Morrison.

received a Letter from Col^o Thornton & answered it by the Same Messenger who bro't his.

17*th.* ordered receiver Genl to pay Committee of Supplies three hundred pounds, to be by them accounted for. 300–0

Ordered Receiver Genl to pay Capt Josiah Moulton thirty pounds, to be by him accounted for. 30–0

Wrote to the Committee at Portsm° Concerning a Vessel, addressed to Joshua Wentworth, Esqr, from Antigua, & about the Inhabitants of the Isle of Shoals being supplied with the necessaries of Life—Copies filed.

18. Wrote Genl Washington in answer to his Letter of the fifteenth Ins^{t}—copy filed.

In Committee of Safety, Ex'r, Oct'r 18*th*, 1775.

Sr You are desired to Sell at 20| p^{r} Cwt. a Quantity of the Flour lately put under your Care, not exceeding 300 bbls. to such Persons as appear as purchasers, taking Care that no person monopolize a large Quantity, & out of the money arising from the Sale, pay the Seamen of the Ship Prince George—Richard Emms, Master—the Wages that Shall appear due to them, agreeable to their original Contract, & keep in your Custody the Remainder of the Money until called for by this Committee, or the Congress of this Colony.

By order of the Committee.

Geo. King, Esqr Chairman.

In Committee of Safety, Ex'r, Oct'r 18*th*, 1775.

To the Several Captains & other officers of the Militia in the Regiments in this Colony:

You are desired to notify & call together your several Companies at such Times & Places as you, together with ———— may agree, & you are earnestly desired to use your utmost Endeavours to forward the enlisting the Complement of Minute men out of your respective Companies, & the Selectmen & Committee of Safety in the Several Towns are requested to forward the Meeting of the several Companies & enlisting or drafting the Minute men.

Col° Thornton having represented to this Committee that he had been requested to attend a Conference of Sundry members from the Continental Congress & Sundry Gent. from the other New England Colonies, & that the Circumstances of his family were Such as he feared would prevent his attendance, & therefore desired some persons from this Committee should be appointed to attend the Same: therefore agreed that Col° Weare & Genl Folsom be desired to repair immediately to Cambridge to attend the Said Conference in behalf of this Colony.

23*d*. On the Report that a Fleet was expected to attack the Capital of the Colony, the Committee was desired to repair thither in order to take into their Consideration what was necessary immediately to be done.

received a Letter from Gen[l] Sullivan, enclosing list of the Vacancies in the Several New Hampshire regiments, & requesting Commissions to be filled for the same.

26. received a Letter from the Delegates at Con[t] Congress.

D° enclosing a Resolve of continental Congress.

received a Letter from Col° Moulton accepting the office of Col°.

D° from Col° Tappan declining D°

ordered Receiver Gen[l] to pay Sam[l] Brooks one hundred pounds, to be accounted for. 100–0–0

Ordered D° to pay Committee of Supplies Six Hundred pounds, to be accounted for. 600–0

Received a Letter from Gen[l] Sullivan concerning the Troops, &c., on Pierce's & Sevey's Islands, &c.

27. Wrote W[m] Knight, Esq[r] & others, desiring them to appraise & place Vessels in Piscataqua Harbour.

Answered Gen[l] Sullivan's letter respecting Troops, &c.

28. Ordered Receiver Gen[l] to pay Nath[l] Folsom three pounds fourteen shillings & ninepence, Committee's Expenses at Portsmouth. 3–14–9

Nov. 1775. Ordered Receiver Gen[l] to pay Committee of Supplies one hundred pounds, to be accounted for. 100–0

Ordered Receiver Gen[l] to pay Committee of Supplies five hundred pounds, to be accounted for. 500–

Ordered D° to pay Committee of Supplies four hundred pounds. 400–

16. Ordered Receiver Gen[l] to pay Committee of Supplies five hundred pounds, to be accounted for. 500–

ordered D° to pay Col° Thornton fifteen pounds, to be accounted for. 15–0

Nov. 16*th*, 1775.* Being the last Day of the Sitting of the Congress of this Colony, they Voted that the Committee of Safety be continued till the Sitting of the Congress, called to Meet the twenty first Day of December next, with same Power & Authority as heretofore.

17*th*. Ordered the Receiver General to pay Sam[l] Cutts, Esq[r] Commissary, five hundred pounds L. M., to be by him accounted for. 500–

Ordered D° to pay Pierce Long, Barrack master, Sixty Pounds L. M., to be by him accounted for. 60–

In the Evening received a Letter from Col° Bedel, by Express, with the agreeable News of the Surrender of the Fortress at St. John's.

18*th*. ordered the receiver Gen[l] to pay Benj[a] Grant, the above mentioned Express, five Pounds for his Service & Expence. 5–0

Ordered Receiver Gen[l] to pay Is[l] Morey, Esq[r] three hundred pounds, L. M., out of the Gold in the Treasury, to be by him sent to Canada for the Payment of the N. H. Troops under the Command of Col° Bedel.

Wrote Gen[l] Schuyler on the Subject of Paying & Supplying our Troops in his Army—copy filed.

Wrote Gen[l] Montgomery on the Same, being a Copy of the Same sent Gen[l] Schuyler.

Gave Col° Morey orders about sending the money to Canada—copy filed.

Committee adjourned to meet at Portsm° at Nath[l] Folsom's, on Monday next, A. M.

Nov. 21, 1775. Committee met at Portsmouth.

Wrote the Delegates at the Continental Congress & enclosed the numbers of the Inhabitants of this Colony*—copy filed.

23*rd*. ordered receiver Gen[l] to pay Geo. Gains, Esq[r] Quarter Master, one hundred pounds L. M., to be by him accounted for. £100

ordered D° to pay Pierce Long, Esq[r] Barrack M[r] Sixty pounds L. M., to be by him accounted for. 60–

* See Table of Census, pp. 32–35.

Capt Philip Goldthwait was bro't before the Committee on Suspicion of being Unfriendly to the Liberties of America; upon Examination, nothing appearing against him, ordered that he be dismissed.

John Stavers & Hugh Henderson, Persons suspected of being unfriendly to the American Cause now contending for, being notified, Appeared before the Committee & each declared for himself that he judged the aforesaid Cause just on the Side of the Americans, & that he would do every thing in his power to promote the Same & for the Defence of this Country against its Enemies.

Honble Daniel Rogers, Esqr being bro't before the Committee as a Person unfriendly to the Liberties of America, upon Examination nothing appearing against him, ordered that he be dismissed.

24. Gave Col^{o} Wingate orders respecting the Companies commanded by Capt^{s} Hodgdon, Coffin, Clark, Parsons, Baker, Elkins, & Copp, & Webster, & to Muster Capt Webster's Company, & to take care of the fire raft—copy filed.

received a Petition of Richd Emms & Matthew Morely; ordered that it lay.

Received a Letter from Messrs Dean, Adams & Wythe, of the Continental Congress, dated the 19th Oct., 1775, with a resolve of Said Congress relative to the Damage done the Several Colonies by the Enemy—filed.

Ordered the Receiver Genl to pay Nathl Folsom of Portsmouth, three pounds Seven shillings & eleven pence half penny, the Expense of this Committee at his house.

rec^{d} Capt Thompson's return ab^{t} the fire rafts.

Received a Letter from Delegates at Continental Congress, inclosing resolve of Continental Congress concerning Govern^{t} & ab^{t} Exportation—filed.

Adjourned to Tuesday next.

28. Received a Letter of Col^{o} Bartlet, inclosing resolve of Congress ab^{t} Salt petre, & another ab^{t} Government—filed.

Ordered receiver Genl to pay Saml Cutts, Commissary, Seven hundred pounds, to be by him accounted for. 700–0

Ordered D^{o} to pay Saml Cutts, Esqr one of the Committee to

procure Powder, Eight hundred pounds L. M., to be by him accounted for. 800–0

29. Ordered D° to pay John Rice, Esqr thirty two pounds ten Shillings & ten pence, the amount of his acc^{t} for boarding Committee from 18th July to 18th Novr inclusive. 32–10–10

Ordered D° to pay John Ward Gilman twenty shillings for making a Seal. 1–

Ordered Capt Salter to fill his Company to ninety Men, inclusive of Officers, and no more, to serve till last of Decr next, unless discharged sooner—copy filed.

Ordered D° to deliver Capt Daniels a Large Cannon, equal in bore to the largest he had on Sevey's Island—copy filed.

Ordered Capt Daniels to fill his Company to Sixty Seven & no more, including Officers, to Serve till last of Decr next, unless discharged sooner—copy filed.

Ordered James Hacket, Esqr to Muster the Companies of Matrosses not already mustered, & to return Lists of the Companies —copy filed.

ordered D° to pay Wm Parker sixteen Pounds, to be by him accounted for. 16–0

Nov. 29th. Appointed William Parker Paymaster of the Troops raised for the particular Defence of this Colony—copy of his orders filed.

Ordered Receiver Genl to pay Wm Parker three hundred Pounds for the purpose above mentioned. 300–

Examined and allowed Capt Robt Crafford's pay Roll of his men engaged for fourteen days, & as he produced an order from all the Men, ordered the receiver Genl to pay him the amount of the Same, being thirteen pounds twelve Shillings. 13–12

Examined & allowed Smith Emerson's pay Roll & ordered it to be paid. 85–6–10

Examined & allowed Thomas Folsom's pay Roll & ordered it to be paid. 29–4–3

Examined & allowed David Quinby's pay Roll & ordered it to be paid. 37–8–3

Examined & allowed Timothy Emerson's pay Roll & ordered it to be paid. 8–1–5

Examined & allowed Geo. Terry Osborne's pay Roll & ordered it to be paid. 40–13–10½

Adjourned to Monday next at Exeter.

In Consequence of a Letter from Gen[l] Sullivan, by Express, informing of the withdrawing of the Connecticut Troops from the Lines at Cambridge, & desiring a number of Troops to be Sent from this Colony to supply their Place, the Committee met at Portsmouth on the 2[d] day of Dec[r] and

Dec. 2d. Gave orders to the following Gentlemen, each to enlist a Company of sixty one able bodied Men, including 3 Serjeants & 3 Corporals, well provided with Arms & Blankets, to serve in the Continental Army, under the Command of Gen[l] Washington, until the 15th Jan[y] next, unless sooner discharged, & as soon as enlisted to March them immediately to join Gen[l] Sullivan's Brigade, viz:

Cap[ts] David Place,	Henry Elkins,	Daniel Runnels,
Alpheus Chesley,	David Copp,	Moses Baker,
Mark Wiggin,	Joseph Parsons,	Moses Yeaton,
Elijah Denbo,	Jacob Webster,	Nath[l] Odiorne,
Peter Coffin,	Stephen Clark,	Greenleaf Clark,
		& John Waldron.

Dec'r 3rd. Wrote to Sam[l] Hobart, Esq[r]; sent him a Copy of Gen[l] Sullivan's Letter & Six blank enlisting orders, desiring him to give them to Suitable Persons towards & in the County of Hillsboro'—copy filed.

Wrote to Col[o] Timothy Walker; sent him blank orders for three Cap[ts]—copy filed.

Delivered orders for one Cap[t] to Gen[l] Folsom, to be by him given to such Person as he should judge proper.

Sent enlisting orders to Cap[t] James Hill of Newmarket, & to Maj[r] Thomas Bartlet of Nottingham.

Delivered like orders for one Cap[t] to Col[o] Evans, to be by him disposed of.

Wrote to Col[o] David Gilman & enclosed like orders for three Captains, to be by him disposed of.

With each of the aforementioned orders were likewise delivered & sent forms of Enlistments, a Copy of which, as well as of the orders, is filed.

Ordered Receiver Genl to pay Capt Moses Baker thirty five pounds, to be by him accounted for. 35–0

Ordered D° to pay Geo. Gain's, Quarter Master, one hundred pounds, to be by him accounted for. 100–

Ordered D° to pay Wm Parker three hundred pounds, for payment of Troops in this Colony Service. 300–

Ordered Capt Moses Baker to dismiss his Company.

Examined & allowed Capt David Copp's Pay Roll of his Company & ordered it to be paid, being 52–3

Examined & allowed Capt Stephen Hodgdon's pay Roll of his Company & ordered it to be paid, being 75–15–8

	D° Capt David Place's,	72–1–10
2^{d}	D° Capt Alpheus Chesley's,	34–9–5
2^{d}	D° Capt Mark Wiggin,	31–4
3^{d}	D° Capt Hall Jackson's field Artillery Comp^{y}	39–13–3
4th	D° Capt Caleb Hodgdon's Comp^{y}	51–3–3
	D° Capt John Hill's,	59–17–5
	D° John Taylor's,	38–13–3
	D° Capt James Hill's,	64–18–1
	D° Capt Moses Yeaton, 5 Day Roll,	14–18–8
	D° his 15 Day D°	46–12
	D° Capt Joseph Parsons',	61–5–2
	D° Capt Henry Elkins',	60–19–6
	D° Capt Elip^{t} Daniel's, over plus men.	

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Dec. 4th. Rec^{d} a Letter from Genl Sullivan—filed.

Ordered Receiver Genl to pay Capt Stephen Clark, to be by him accounted for, 65–

Gave liberty for all the Soldiers in this Colony Service to enlist in Continental Service.

5th. Ordered Wm Parker to pay Capt David Copp three pounds out of the money in his hands. 3–

Ordered D° to pay Lt And^r^ Gilman forty Shill^s^ out of D° in part of wages due to him. 2–

Ordered Receiver Genl to Pay Capt Peter Coffin Sixty five pounds, for him to be accountable, out of his Company's Wages. 65–

Wrote to General Sullivan p^r^ post—copy filed.

rec^d^ a Letter from him—filed.

Rec^d^ a Petition from Wm Hart. ordered that it lay.

Ordered Receiver Genl to pay Wm Parker two hundred pounds for payment of Troops in N. H. Service. 200–

Examined & Allowed Capt John Waldron's pay Roll of his Company & order it to be p^d^ being 39–11–4

D° Capt Thomas Berry's. 20–5–6

D° Capt Nathl Hobbs'. 42–8–11

D° Capt Nich^s^ Rollings'. 21–10–2

6. Gave Col° Wingate orders respecting the Soldiers in this Colony Service—copy filed.

7. Wrote to Genl Folsom to deliver the Guns at Esqr Rice's to Capt Alpheus Chesley, taking his rec^t^ for the Same.

Ordered Receiver Genl to pay Nathl Folsom, Jr. Eight pounds four Shillings & Eleven pence, this Committee's Expence, 8–4–11

Ordered D° to pay Wm Parker two hundred pounds for payment of Troops in Colony Service. 200–0

Adjourned to Exeter, to meet on the 11th Curr^t^.

11*th*. rec^d^ a Letter from Genl Washington—filed.

rec^d^ a Letter from Col° Bartlet enclosing a Letter from Messrs Pen & Lee to Speaker of House of Representatives, & Sundry resolves of Continental Congress.

Examined & allowed Capt Ab^m^ Frenche's pay Roll of his Company & ordered it to be paid, being £50–9–8

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Dec. 12. ordered Receiver Genl to pay the Committee appointed to procure Powder abroad, Six hundred pounds, to be by them accounted for. 600–

Ordered D° to pay Wm Parker two hundred pounds for payment of Troops in Colony Service. 200–

Examined & allowed Capt Cutting Cielley's pay Roll of his Company & ordered it to be paid, being 49–2–10

D° Capt Samuel Hayes. 47–10

13. ordered Receiver Genl to pay the Committee for procuring Powder abroad, the Light Gold in the Treasury, according to an amount thereof by him exhibited to this Committee.

Ordered D° to pay Col. Thornton Six pounds, the Sum Voted him by the late Congress for his time & Expence going to Cambridge & attend^g the Grand Council There. 6–

Ordered D° to pay Col° Weare & Capt Moulton nine pounds three Shillings & Seven pence, the amount of their acc^t for gett^g £20,000 printed. 9–3–7

Ordered D° to pay Geo. Gains, Quarter Master, one hundred pounds, to be by him accounted for. 100–

Agreed and directed that Col° Thornton & Col° Weare wait on Genl Washington, to confer with him about recruiting the Continental Army.

rec^d a Letter from Genl Sullivan—filed.

14*th*. Rec^d & Considered the Petition of Capt John Evans and answered it—copies of each filed.

15. Examined & allowed the pay Roll of Capt Joseph Clifford & ordered it to be paid, being 22–12–8

D° Capt Richd Dow, 68–6–4

Ordered Receiver Genl to pay Wm Parker three hundred pounds for the payment of Troops in Colony Service. 300–

16. Ordered D° to pay Elisha Odlin thirty Shillings, for going Express to Canterbury & Dover. 1–10

Gave Col° Hobart orders respecting the Payment of N. Hamp. Troops in Continental Service—copy filed.

Ordered Receiver Genl to pay Col° Hobart Seven Thousand pounds, for payment of N. H. Troops in Continental Service to 4th August. 7000–

Ordered D° to pay Jn° Rice, Esqr four pounds, for Committee's board to this Day. 4–

Examined and allowed Capt Benj^a Butler, Esqr his pay Roll & ordered it to be paid. 55–0–11

CENSUS OF 1775.

Return of the Number of Inhabitants in the several towns and places in New-Hampshire, taken by order of the Convention, with the No. of Fire-Arms, Powder, &c.

COUNTY OF ROCKINGHAM.

	Males under 16.	Males from 16 to 50 not in the army.	Males above 50.	Persons in the Army.	Females.	Negroes and Slaves for life.	Total.	Fire arms & powder.			
								Fire arms fit for use.	Fire arms wanting.	Public stocks of Powder.	Powder in private hands.
Portsmouth,	1013	823	191	50	2373	140	4590				
Hampton,	190	147	62	20	440	3	862	192			94¾
Exeter,	401	273	86	51	892	38	1741	193	150	50	80¾
Londonderry,	618	404	157	66	1316	29	2590	283	183		132
New-Castle,	101	85	33		221	9	449	63		68	
Rye,	206	146	47	15	442	14	870	170			101
Kingston,	214	155	67	27	491	7	961		127		35
Newington,	97	90	34	6	266	39	532	93	20	60	
Stratham,	252	183	58	17	622	5	1137				
Greenland,	169	136	42	10	381	21	759	108	33	45	61
New-Market,	322	212	50	30	658	17	1289				
South-Hampton,	109	92	27	10	259	1	498	66	31		58
Plaistow,	129	85	35	33	288	5	575	46	39		10
Hampstead,	182	106	44	35	398	3	768	51	75		32
Salem,	296	151	49	47	539	2	1084	104		43	71
Pelham,	206	112	40	29	362	0	749	110	40		28
Chester,	384	273	101	51	787	3	1599	175	112		30
Hampton-Falls,	151	91	42	19	339	3	645	80	15	30	71
Nottingham,	268	165	26	22	502	16	999	101	68	53	42¾
Brentwood,	253	174	57	35	577	4	1100	113	68	40	160
North-Hampton,	153	97	39	24	335	4	652	122		50	86
East-Kingston,	114	63	29	9	210	3	428	65			31
Newton,	121	96	30	8	283	2	540	46	41		
Kensington,	172	122	49	39	413	2	797	100			83
Windham,	120	86	33	15	262	13	529	69	17		16½
Bow,	88	47	11	17	187	0	350	33	14		13
Epping,	377	242	77	61	793	19	1569				
Epsom,	110	57	15	15	189	1	387	44	26		28
Pembroke,	179	114	33	23	388	7	744				
Sandown,	120	87	12	20	219	1	459	68	39	103	
Hawke,*	129	76	26	13	260	0	504	52			9
Concord,	280	186	36	46	490	14	1052	98			
Canterbury,	199	124	30	35	331	4	723	45	109	80	
Candia,	232	120	19	27	346		744	72	48		
Raymond,	187	120	24	18	334		683				
Poplin,	153	92	24	7	274	2	552				
Deerfield,	250	204	26	30	418	1	929	120	68		51
Atkinson,	145	91	30	18	286	5	575	62	49		36¼
Chichester,	117	87	13	4	197		418	47	31	42	
Allenstown,	39	18	7	1	82	2	149	11			
Seabrook,	144	109	39	11	304		607	74			24
Northwood,	85	57	6	10	155		313	36	16		10
Loudon,	90	85	9	3	161	1	349	49	36		
Gosport,											

* Now Fremont.

COUNTY OF STRAFFORD.

	Males under 16.	Males from 16 to 50 not in the army.	Males above 50.	Persons in the Army.	Females.	Negroes and Slaves for life.	Total.	Fire arms & powder. Fire arms fit for use.	Fire arms wanting.	Public stock of Powder.	Powder in private hands.
Dover,	410	342	74	28	786	26	1666	180		60	
Durham,	286	185	68	57	593	25	1214	222		200	76
Lee,	236	147	58	12	497	4	954	119	51	24	51
Somersworth,	245	129	36	46	479	30	965				
Barrington,	464	245	72	23	848	3	1655	184			
Gilmanton,	238	151	16	12	357	1	775	99	46	44	5
Sandbornton,	120	87	12	20	219	1	459				
Rochester,	396	303	61	26	759	3	1548	206		36	36
Madbury,	164	117	38	7	345	6	677	78	62	60	60
Barnstead,	82	53	4	2	111		252	28	25		
New-Durham,	70	50	15	6	144	1	286	27	20		3
Do. Gore,	35	20	1	0	44		100		10		
Middleton,	72	40	7	6	108		233	27	20		4
Eastown, 1	86	70	10	4	149	1	320				
Leavitts-Town, 2	23	16	2	3	39		83	11	5		2
Wolfeborough,	57	53	4	4	91	2	211	34	25	25	5
Moultonborough,	76	61	9	4	122		272	31			
Sandwich,	81	45	9	1	109		245	27		36	
Holderness,	49	36	7	0	80		172	25	10		1
Meredith,	70	50	7	10	122		259	30	26	50	
Campton,	57	44	5	1	83		190				
Tamworth,	50	32	2	3	64		151	17			
Gore,	4	6	3		13		26	4	2		1

COUNTY OF HILLSBOROUGH.

Amherst,	343	240	53	81	707	4	1428	121		41	55
Litchfield,	62	44	19	13	136	10	284	39	8	0	28
Boscawen,	162	91	33	17	281	1	585	58	65		7
Bedford,	109	93	28	14	241	10	495		37	0	11
Derryfield, 3	68	41	15	16	142	3	285	20	20	0	0
Goffstown,	215	138	21	40	411	6	831				
Nottingham-West, 4	168	100	36	22	319	4	649	66	32	0	25
Salisbury,	142	92	15	6	242	1	498	47	45		
Peterborough,	135	77	23	25	277	8	546	23			
Dunbarton,	144	92	14	14	232	1	497				
Hopkinton,	332	160	30	42	519	2	1085		56		6
Wilton,	162	102	17	26	314	2	623	72		47	40
Peterborough Slip,	31	17	1	6	52		107	7			
Dunstable, 5	215	88	30	40	325	7	705	46	42	36	41
New-Boston,	164	98	27	20	256	4	569				
Weare,	248	177	18	32	421	1	837	72			10
Hollis,	306	174	71	60	640	4	1255	131	92	0	111
New-Ipswich,	268	246	26	42	475	3	960	105	48	74	87
Merrimack,	127	110	32	19	305	13	606	79	36		9½
Lyndeborough,	201	103	34	27	348	0	713				

1 Now Wakefield. 2 Now Effingham. 3 Now Manchester.
4 Now Hudson. 5 Now Nashua.

	Males under 16.	Males from 16 to 50 not in the army.	Males above 50.	Persons in the Army.	Females.	Negroes and Slaves for life.	Total.	Fire arms & powder.			
								Fire arms fit for use.	Fire arms wanting.	Public stocks of Powder.	Powder in private hands.
Henniker, 1	117	67	15	9	158	1	367	40		0	0
Hillsborough,											
Raby, 2											
Mason,	148	86	12	27	227	1	501	48	49	0	14
Temple,	143	94	6	18	230	0	491	66		112	45
Francestown,	55	37	7	9	92	0	200	0	11		
Society Land, 3	42	36	8	9	82	0	177				
Warner,	78	45	6	6	126	1	262	21	26	0	0
New-Britain, 4	56	38	5	3	77	0	179	27		0	0
Perry's-Town, 5	39	22	5	4	60	0	130	12	17	0	0
Mile Slip, 6	20	15	3	3	42	0	83				
Deering,											
Fishersfield, 7											
COUNTY OF CHESHIRE.											
Swanzey,	168	118	25	20	316	0	647	72	50	0	16
Walpole,	214	100	26	33	283	2	658				
Rindge,	135	108	12	35	250	2	542		21		
Westmoreland,	213	127	23	38	357	0	758	63	67		
Winchester,	207	112	30	18	354	2	723	68			18
Hinsdale,											
Gilsum,	45	32	10	7	84	0	178	15		0	0
Cornish,	83	77	9	4	136	0	309	53	33	0	20
Surry,	59	37	8	7	104	0	215	23	22		5
Plainfield,	78	83	13	0	134	0	308	36	49		
Charlestown,	158	94	17	22	303		594				
Dublin,	88	54	9	10	143	1	305	32	31		9
Claremont,	148	125	18	1	231	0	523	60	65		
Alstead,	88	79	5	4	141	0	317	18		0	0
Marlow,	56	45	6	9	91	0	207		26		
Newport,	46	39	4	1	67	0	157	14			2
Croydon,	37	34	2	3	67	0	143			0	5
Acworth,											
Saville, 8	15	14	4	3	29	0	65	5			
Unity,	39	35	3	7	62	0	146	13	25	0	0
Jaffrey,	90	72	8	16	165	0	351				
Fitzwilliam, 9											
Marlborough,	104	54	2	14	148	0	322	26	28		5
Packersfield, 10	52	34	4	13	83	0	186	23	10		6
Stoddard,	75	38	7	11	93	0	224	14	24	0	0
Chesterfield,	241	155	30	36	412	0	874	86	99	0	0
Washington,	47	29	4	6	77	0	163	13		0	6
Lempster,	43	31	4	1	49	0	128	17	18	0	0
Richmond,	280	143	16	26	395	0	860	56	88		5
Keene,	174	140	24	31	387	0	756	72	92	90	22

1 Hillsborough, Antrim, and Hancock, were joined with Henniker in this enumeration. 2 Joined with Mason; now Brookline. 3 Now Antrim. 4 Now Andover. 5 Now Sutton. 6 Including Duxbury farm; now Milford. 7 Now Newbury; joined with Sutton, in this enumeration. 8 Now Sunapee. 9 Joined with Swanzey. 10 Now Nelson.

COUNTY OF GRAFTON.

	Males under 16.	Males from 16 to 50 not in the Army.	Males above 50.	Persons in the Army.	Females.	Negroes and Slaves for life.	Total.	Fire arms & Powder.			
								Fire arms fit for use.	Fire arms wanting.	Public stock of Powder.	Powder in private hands.
Haverhill,	97	69	9	17	169	4	365			50	5
Plymouth,	93	83	15	8	178	5	382				6
Lebanon,	86	91	13	2	155	0	347			60	
New-Chester,1	66	32	5	5	88	0	196	26	11	0	2
Hanover,	98	108	12	22	184	10	434	45	177	48	
Canaan,	16	17	3	3	28	0	67	17	0	0	0
Cockermoth,2	35	23	2	5	53	0	118	18	27	0	3
Lyme,	57	61	10	8	116	0	252	30	31	38	0
Orford,	60	42	7	5	106	2	222	13	29	0	30
Rumney,	77	41	4	11	104	0	237				0
Piermont,	52	28	4	15	69	0	168	1	31	16	0
Bath,	47	25	5	10	57	0	144	8	24	15	8
Gunthwaite,3	14	6	2	5	20	0	47		6	14	
Lancaster,	17	15	0	2	27	0	61	8	7	0	11
Alexandria,	38	26	7	8	58	0	137	18		0	0
Northumberland,	16	20	2	0	19	0	57	7	15	0	70
Thornton,	26	26	5	8	52	0	117	6	25	0	3
Lyman,											
Conway,	79	51	6	18	117	2	273	40	44	25	
Grantham,	11	20	4	1	37	1	74	2	18	0	0
Grafton,											
Trecothick,4											
Fairfield,5											
Coventry,6											
Landaff,	14	8	2	1	15	0	40	1			8
Morristown,7	10	5	0	1	13	0	29	3	0	0	3
Apthorp,8											
Dartmouth,9							4				
Stratford,	15	14	0	2	10	0	41	7	7	0	12
Colebrook,	0	1	0	0	3	0	4	1			
Cockburne,10	5	5	0	1	3	0	14	3	2	0	3
Stewart-Town,											
Enfield,	15	17	1	0	17	0	50	10	7	0	0
Wentworth,11											
Warren,12											

1 Now Hill. 2 Now Groton. 3 Now Lisbon. 4 Now Ellsworth.
5 Now Woodstock. 6 Now Benton. 7 Now Franconia.
8 Now Littleton. 9 Jefferson. 10 Columbia.
11 Joined with Orford. 12 Joined with Piermont in this enumeration.

January 20*th*, 1776.

The General Court of this Colony having appointed a new Committee of Safety for this Colony, consist^{g} of the Following persons, viz: Meshech Weare, Nathl Folsom, Ebenezer Thompson, Philips White, Josiah Moulton & Pierce Long, Esq^{rs} they proceeded to Business.

Appointed the Honble Mesheck Weare, Esqr Chairman.

Ordered the Receiver General to pay Israel Morey & John Bellows, Esqr Three Thousand two Hundred & Eighty seven pounds Twelve shillings being for 2 month's wages of the Regiment now raising for Canada. 3287–12–0

ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Morey & Bellows afores^{d} six Hundred & Thirty Pounds for procuring provisions, Billiting, &c., for which they are to account. 630–

Jan'ry 21*st*. delivered Coll. Wait 4 Warrants for Captains to enlist men and orders as Lieut-Coll.—copies filed.

delivered Col. Morey and Bellows orders for procuring necessaries for Coll^{o} Bedel's Regiment—copy filed.

Jan'ry 29*th*. Met. not Members enough present to proceed on Bus^{s}.

30*th*. took into Consideration a Letter received from the Chairman of the Committee of Portsmouth, requesting leave for Capt Sylvester to load Boards for Rhode Island, and determined the request could not be granted.

ordered the Receiver General to pay Samuel Atkinson for his time and Expences going after Coll. Bedel. £1–11

Petitions being preferred by Capt Geo. Turner and Lieu^{t} Thomas Pickering, complaining of each other, Determined that Major George Gains be desired to receive from Capt George Turner the field pieces, together with the Stores belonging to them, and deposit the same in some safe place till further orders.

ordered the Quarter Master to deliver Coll. Morey 720 Gun Flints for the use of Coll. Bedel's Regiment.

gave directions to Coll. Morey to request Jonathan Blanchard, Esqr to Muster and pay Capt Archelaus Town's Company their advance money.

January 31*st.* ordered the Receiver General to pay Coll. Thornton & Capt Moulton the Balance of their acc^{t} for going as a Committee to wait Genl Washington. 4–3–1

By the desire of General Sullivan, gave an order on the Receiver General to pay Maj. Peter Coffin 1398–8 for advance to pay a Reg^{t} raising under Coll. John Waldron, for which said Sullivan is to account for.

wrote to Jonathan Blanchard and John Bellows, Esq^{rs} by express, to forward the enlisting Coll. Bedel's Regiment.

ordered Coll. Morey and Bellows to pay each Soldier Whom they should Muster, being an able Bodied Effective Man well accoutred, Forty Shillings Lawful Money as a Bounty, and Two Month's pay to each Commission Officer. Also one Month's pay to each Non Commission Officer and Soldier, at the Rates Established by the Continen^{l} Congress, and assist in providing for and forwarding the Regiment with all Speed. And make return of your doings with all Speed to the General Court of this Colony, or Committee of Safety. You are likewise to observe that the Soldiers that receive the Colony Guns are to be informed that they are to allow one Dollar for the use of the same, and should they not return them at the end of the Campaign, they are to allow therefor 45 L. M. each. And the Officers are to take Care that the above Stoppages are made upon making up the pay Rolls. Those Guns Manufactured in New Hampshire to be 60|

Wrote to Thomas Sparhawk, one of the late Committee of Supplies, to come and close his acc^{t}.

Gave Maj^{r} Welsh an order on the Rec^{r} Genl for going Express to Merrimack, for 1–0

Feb'ry 1*st.* ordered Capt Titus Salter to deliver the field pieces & Stores lately took from Capt Turner to him again without delay.

Wrote to a number of Towns who have been deficient in Sending in the Number of their Inhabitants, to do it without delay.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay George Gains the Balance of his acc^{t} Exhibited this day, amounting to £69–5–1$\frac{3}{4}$

note. his Whole account not Exhibited, because many Bills out.

ordered the Treasurer to pay Maj. Gains, to be by him accounted for as Quarter Master, 100–0–0

ordered the Treasurer to pay Coll. Morey one Thousand Pounds, to Buy Snow-Shoes, Blankets, Hatchets and Rum for the Canada Reg^{t} £1000–

Feb'ry 2d. Spent in writing a number of Letters & waiting for Coll. Bedel.

3d. Fill^{d} up Continental Commissions for Colonel Bedel's Regiment.

ordered the Receiver Genl to pay Theophilus Gilman, for axes & Hatchets, 17–5–0

ordered Ditto to pay Mes^{rs} Thurstin & Jones, for Ditto, 7–17–6

ordered Ditt. to pay Mes^{rs} Rundlet & son, for D° 28–7–4½

ordered D° to pay Richd Champney, for his Expences after Tin Kettles, 1–2–10

gave orders to Coll. Morey to be paymaster to Coll. Bedel's Comp^{es}, L^{ts} Thornton's & Ensign Wheeler's, & ordered the Treasurer to pay him 140–

Likewise to pay Coll. Morey the Balance of his acc^{t} 63–7–3

Gave orders to Maj^{r} Gains to Muster Salter's & Daniel's Companys.

Adj^{d} to Tuesday, 10 'Clock.

Tuesday, Feb'ry 6th. not members enough present to proceed on Business.

7th. ordered the Treasurer to pay the Roll of Capt Peter Coffin, amounting 94–12–5

Stopping from Capt Coffin, 13–2

Feb'ry 8th, 1776. Ordered the Treasurer to pay Capt Wm Cooper his pay Roll, 6–17–6

Fryday, 9th. Ordered the Receiver General to pay Capt Henry Elkins his pay Roll, 117–7–4

Gave Liberty to Captn Wm Furnald to proceed to Philledelphia,

Virginia, Maryland or North Carolina, He giving Bond to the Committee of Safety of the Town of Portsmouth, with Sureties in a Sufficient Sum, That he will by no means, Break or Intrude any Resolve or declaration of the Continental Congress.

Ordered the Receiver General to pay Coll° Folsom the amount of Expences of the Indians Who came here from head quarters. £3–2–5

Saturday, 10*th Feb'ry*. Ordered the Treasurer to pay Mr Nich^s^ Nichols 24| Towards his Expences in Transporting the Indians. 1–4–0

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Lieu^t^ Matthew Thornton his wages & price of Rations as made up in the Roll, amo^t^ to 18–19–2

To the foll° Persons, Sold^s^ in Osgood's Comp^y^ the sums set against their names, being in full of their wages, Exclusive of Coat Money:

Andrew Neally,	3–15–3	Solomon Todd,	4–9–8
John Wallace,	4–19–1	John Byant,	9–6–2
Duncan McGregore,	8–17–2	Joseph Hatch,	7–13–1
Stephen Bethel,	6–4–9		

ordered the Receiver General to pay Joseph Ayers, to be by him accounted for out of his Expen° in Transport^g^ the Indians, 6–

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Abner Chamberlin, the Sum of Sixteen pounds Eleven Shillings & four pence, for going Express to Canada to Carry Money to Coll. Bedel. 16–11–4

Ordered the Treas^r^ to pay Capt James Osgood his own Wages, price of Rations & Stopages, out of the Soldiers' Wages acc^d^ to his pay Roll; also, the Wages, &c., Due to Ezekiel Walker, George Kentfield, Supply Walker, Ebenezer Green, Nathl Eastman, Benjamin Heath, Leonard Herryman, Jonathan Johnson, Barnes Haselton, Ezekiel Stickney, John Moore, Joseph Colby, Zephaniah Petty, Daniel Chandler, Jonathan Dresser, Abiel Messer, Daniel Emerson Cross, Thomas Spring, Archibald Sterling.

Ordered the Receiver General to pay Mr Theodore Carlton 10–3| for the Expences of Indians, &c., While at his house, 10–3–0

Ordered the Receiver General to pay Mr Ebenezer Green The following Sums, being Stoppages, viz:

Capt. Parker,	52–7–6
Coll^{o} Beedel's Com^{y}, Lieut. Ab^{r} Palmer,	77–19–7
Coll. Beedel's Staff Roll,	19–14–1
	150–1–2

Ordered the Receiver General to pay Mr John Noble 6| for bringing a Letter from Head Quarters from J. W.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Capt John Parker his Wages, Price of Rations and Stoppages, amount^{g} to 159–13–10

also Lieut. Asa Pattee Wages. 16–10–7

John Pattee, 10–9|5; Joseph Harvel, 11–3|10; Alex^{r} Parker, 8–17|10; Willm Durrah, 10–11|4; Saml Parker, 10–6|6; Jam^{s} Thompson, 10–1|6; Steph^{n} Lowell, 8–8|3; Sam. Gault, 6–15|8; Asa Pattee, J^{r} 2–2|9; Saml Smith, 4–9|9; John Loring, 6–19|11

Ordered the Receiver General to pay Coll^{o} Timothy Beedell 785 L. M^{y}, to be by him delivered to Israel Morey, Esqr To pay off the Troops at Cohass.

Ordered the Receiver General to pay Jarad Tracey Thirty Six dollars, for bringing 12,500 dollars from Philledelphia and delivering the Same To Said Receiver General.

Ordered the Receiver General To pay Coll^{o} Timothy Beedel £40–19|2 L. M^{y} for Supplying The Sick of four Comp^{ys}.

Ordered the Receiver General to pay Coll^{o} Timothy Beedel £50 L. M^{y} in Gold and Silver, to be by him accounted for.

Ordered the Receiver General to pay Cap^{n} James Osgood 13–7–6, for Expences attending the Sick of his Comp^{y}.

Ordered the Receiver General to pay Pierce Long one hundred pounds, to be by him acc^{d} for as Barrack Master.

Sunday, 11*th*. Spent in fitting off dispatches of Coll. Morey, Coll. Bedel & the Canada Officers.

Tuesday, *Feb'y* 13*th*. ordered the Rec^{t} Genl to pay Dr Josiah Gilman his acc^{t} for Doct^{g} the Indians. 1–6–9

Wednesd'y, *Feb'y* 13*th*. Ordered the Receiver General to pay

to Saml Brooks, Junr for his Time, Expences and Horse hire to Hampton, and to Portsmouth, Express for a Carrage and man To Carry the Indians To Suncook, it being Very Stormy. 14–0

Thursday, *Feb'y* 15. Order'd the Receiver General to pay off Capt Titas Salter's Roll To Each man Respectively, he having accounted for 362–18–11, his acc^{t} to the Treasurer.

Likewise Ordered him to pay his Short Roll of 39–16–9

Fryday, 16*th*. Ordered the Receiver General to pay Samuel Cutts as Commissary, 320 to be by him Acc^{t} for.

Saturday, 17. Ordered the Receiver General to pay Nich^{s} Nichols 35| for Truck^{s} While at Portsmouth.

Ordered the Receiver General to pay Mr Benjamin Partridge 14–1|4$\frac{2}{2}$, for placing fire Rafts, &c.

Saturday, 17*th Feb'y*, 1776. Ordered the Receiver General to pay the Roll of Capt David Copps, for his Comp^{y} at Portsm^{o}, at the Same time to deduct out of Capt Copps' Roll, Three pounds he received in advance, and forty Shillings p^{r} Lt Gilman.

Ordered the Receiver General to pay Capt Elipt. Daniels' Roll to Each man up to the 31st December, he having Acc^{t} for 234–18–10 Received, as p^{r} his Roll at the Treasury.

Order'd the Receiver General to pay Mr Richard Champney for his Time, Horse hire, and Expences going to Milton after paper to print Money on, 3–10–6

Ordered the Receiver General to pay off the Roll of Capt Joseph Parsons for his Comp^{y} at Portsm^{o}.

Ordered the Receiver General to pay the Roll of Capt Elip^{t} Daniels' C^{o} up to the 17th Feby Inclusive.

Thursday, 22*d*. Ordered the Receiver General to pay the Roll of Capt Jacob Webster. Also to pay Capt Webster 2–1–1 for Stoppages.

Ordered the Receiver General to pay Capt Titas Salter's Roll, made up to the 16th Feby Inclusive.

Ordered the Receiver General to pay Deacon John Hill 71–19|6 being the Cost (after making the necessary deductions) of Two

pair of fire Rafts made at Berwick, and for delivering the Same at Portsmouth.

Ordered the Receiver General to pay Capt Moses Baker 120–0|6, Being the Ballance due on his Roll.

Thursday, *Feb'y* 22*d*, 1776. Ordered the Receiver General to pay Lieu^{t} Dearing's Roll, made up from the 11th to 15 Nov^{r}, being 4 days Only.

Ordered Receiver General to pay Capt George Turner's Roll, made from 15th Novr to 15th January, 1776.

Ordered the Receiver General to pay Capt George Turner his Roll, made from 15th to the 30th Jan^{y}, at Which Time they were discharged.

Major George Gains made a Return of the Soldiers Mustered in Capt^{s} Salter's Com^{y} (Right.) ditto of those in Capt Daniels' Comp^{y}.

Fryday, 23*d*. Received a Letter from Capt John Langdon, Requesting Some powder for his Carpenters; In Answer to which we advised him that the quarter Master Should be order'd to deliver them ½ Each, out of the Public Stock, at the Time of Danger, to be by them Accounted for.

Ordered the Receiver General to pay Major Gains 41–17–4½, Ballance due p^{r} Acc^{t}.

Ordered Major Gains to Apply to Major Hackett, Mr John Marshall, and Capt John Hill, to apprize the Damages the Gundelos & Boats have Sustained in the Service of the Colony.

At the Request of the Proprietors of the Schooner Privateer, Called the Enterprize, We have appointed Thom^{s} Palmer, Comm^{r} in the Room of Capt Daniel Jackson Who has Resigned.

Fryday, 23*d*. Ordered the Receiver General to pay Coll^{o} Jacob Gale 14–1|6, being the Am^{t} of his Acc^{t} for Short hoes, &c.

ordered D^{o} to pay Major Gains, to be accounted for, 375–0–0

Saturday, 24*th*. Capt Benjamin Boardman Returned to the Receiver General Two fire Arms. Likewise four pounds Sixteen Shillings Cash, in Lieu of Two others not Returned.

April 2d, 1776. The General Court of this Colony Appointed The following Gentlemen to be a Comm^{t} of Safety, In the Recess of the Court: The Honble Mesheck Weare, Nathan^{l} Folsom, & Eben^{r} Thomson, Esq^{rs} of the Council, and Phillips White, Josiah Moulton, John Dudley, Robt Wilson, Stephen Evans, Esq^{rs} & Capt Pierce Long, of the Assembly, Who proceeded to Business.

Appointed the Honble Mesheck Weare, Esqr Chairman.

3*d*. Ordered the Treasurer to pay Capt Ebenezer Dearing's pay Role, being for one Month's advance Wages & Blankett Money, Amounting to 124–10| L. M^{y}.

Ordered the Receiver General to pay Samuel Cutts, Esqr Commissary, Six hundred Pounds L. Money, to be by him Accounted for.

Ordered the Receiver General to deliver Josiah Moulton, Esqr Two pounds of the Colony Powder now in his possession, he paying therefore at the Rate of 3| L. M^{y} p^{r} lb.

Ordered the Receiver General to pay to Capt John Calf one pound One Shilling, for the Mast used in the Exeter fire Raft.

Agreed to meet Coll^{o} Hubbard at Exeter, Thursday 25 inst.

4*th*. Ordered the Receiver General to pay the Select Men of Hampton five pounds fourteen Shillings and two pence, for Moving and Repairing a Guard House.

April 9th, 1776. Pursuant to agreement, the Committee met at Portsmouth.

ordered the Receiver General to pay to Lieu^{t} Saml Atkinson Fourteen Pounds Thirteen Shill^{s} & Eleven pence, for the Expence of Transporting the Indians Sent from Exeter, from Boscawen to Plymouth.

10*th*. Employed the chief of the Day in Viewing the Great Island, Pierce's, & Seevey's Islands.

11. Gave Josiah Bartlet, Esqr an order on the Treasurer for four Pounds Thirteen Shillings, for his going twice to Water Town on Publick Business for the Colony, and also for one Hundred Pounds, to be accounted for.

Ordered the Receiver General to pay Christopher Toppan, Esqr one Hundred and Ninety Pounds, for 8 Six Pounders at £20, and for Two Ditto at £15.

Gave Liberty to Capt William Pearne to fix a Vessel out for the Foreign West Indies, To be loaded with Such Articles as are not forbid by any Resolve of the Continental Congress. Among other articles, to carry about 70 M of Boards, the Neat proceeds of Which is to be laid out in Such things as We may direct—the Colony to receive the Same on their Arrival, Allowing the first Cost, Customary Commissions & Freight home, the Residue to be laid out as he may think fit, for all Which he is to give Bonds.

12*th*. Sent off an Express to Boston after Cannon, &c., and wrote Several Letters. Gave James McCluer an order for £5–10 for one month's Wages as Adj^{t} to Coll. Gilman.

April 24*th*. Met at Exeter, according to appointment.

Gave John Langdon, Esqr a Permit for the Brig Marquis of Kildare, Thomas Palmer, Master, to proceed to Europe with her Lading.

Gave Coll. Burnam an order on the Treasurer for £12–4–10, for his Time & expences at Medford Mustering the 31 Companies sent down there.

25*th*. Gave Coll. Saml Follsom an order on the Treasurer for £12–5, his Bill for Room, firewood & Candles for the Committee of Acc^{ts}.

Gave Comfort Sevey and John Crane an order on the Receiver General for £7–12|4 L. M^{y}, for the Expences of the Indians on their Return to Canada.

Gave the Select Men of North Hampton an order on the Receiver General for 4–8|9, for halling a Watch house on Boar's head.

Gave Liberty to General Folsom to Receive out of the Public Stock of Powder, One Barrel, for One Borrowed of the Town of Exeter, and Carried to Portsmouth Last fall.

Gave an order on the Receiver General to pay Capt Eliphalet Daniel's pay Role, am^{g} to 154–12
d^{o} for Blank^{t} M^{y} 38– 8

Which Role was made up to 17th April Inst., £193–0

Gave directions to the Selectmen of Rochester to deliver Coll° Stephen Evans a four pound Cannon now in sd Town. To be carried to Piscataqua Harbour.

April 26th. Received from Major Geo. Gains Three Thousd Weight of Powder, Which he was directed to bring up here by the Assembly, and Lodged the Same in the Powder House.

Gave an order on the Receiver General For £80 L. My in favour of Quarter Master Gains.

Gave Major Gains an order for to proceed to Boston for the Cannon & Stores Sent.

Gave Samuel Cutts, Esqr Commissary, an order on the Treasurer for £600, to be by him accounted for.

May 7th, 1776.

By Special Order of the Chairman We this day Mett at Exeter, to consider of a requisition from the Hónble Thomas Cushing, Esqr in behalf of the Massachusetts Bay Colony for assistance in case of an Invasion there.

ordered General Follsom to direct the Colonels of the Several Regiments in the Countys of Rockingham, Strafford, and Hillsborough, to hold themselves in readiness to march in case of an Invasion.

Gave an order on the Treasurer to pay Capt Long, in behalf of the Com. to Import Powder, Three Hundred Pounds, to be accounted for.

Order'd the Receiver General to pay Sergeant Pinkham's Role To Ebenr Thomson, Esqr, amountg to 2–4–1.

Ordered The Receiver General to pay Mr John Emery, Twenty One pounds 17|6, in full for 69 day's Services Examining and adjusting accounts.

Desired Ebenezr Thomson, Esqr, Capt Josiah Moulton, Coll° Stepn Evans and Pierce Long, To Meet at Portsm° and See what is necessary to be done Respecting The Great Island Bridge.

8th. We accordingly Repaired there this day and Viewed The Old Bridge across Little Harbour.

May 9th, 1776. Viewed the place proposed for a new Bridge, and agreed to put off the consideration & determination thereof until the Court meets.

May 20th. met at Portsmouth, and Tarried the 21st and 22nd. Viewed Newcastle and directed a Battery to be Built at Jerry's Point, and had Several other matters under consideration. ordered the Receiver General to pay Capt Daniel's Roll to the 15th of May, amounting to £154–12

22*d.* gave General Follsom orders to take the Command of all the Colony force, in case of an Attack.

Ordered the Receiver General to pay Saml Cutts, Esqr £200, to be by him accounted for as Commissary.

23*d.* directed Capt Long to take up and forward Letters directed to the Colony.

July 5th, 1776. The Council and Assembly having appointed a New Committee of Safety, Consisting of the following Persons, viz: Mesheck Weare, Matthew Thornton, Nathaniel Folsom, Wyseman Clagett, & Ebenezer Thompson, Esqrs of the Council, John Dudly, Timothy Walker, Pierce Long, Philips White, Josiah Moulton, Benjamin Barker, Matthew Patten, Nathl Sartel Prentice, Otis Baker & John Smith, Esqrs of the House.

a number of the Committee made out Enlisting orders, Instructions to Muster Masters, &c., according to Votes of the Two Houses.

July 10th. Met according to appointment & gave Capt Ezekiel Worthen an order on the Treasr for Eight Hundred & seventy Six pounds, 876–0–0, to pay off the soldiers raised in Collo Moulton's Regt, for Which money he is to Account.

To the Captsa Salter, Daniels and Dearing, of the Companys of Matrosses and Artillery at Portsmouth, &c.

You are hereby directed to let such Men in your several Companies as desire, Iulist in the Service for Canada, taking Care to fill up the number again by inlisting Men to take their place; and such who inlist for a year shall be intitled to receive a Blanket & Wages as those who first inlisted in your Companies. Also such

Men who may desire to engage in the Man of War at Portsmouth, reserving at least half the Gunners to defend the Fort,

NATH^{l} FOLSOM, *Chairman.*

In the Committee of Safety, July 10*th*, 1776.

Received of Benjamin Giles and James Betton, Esq^{rs} a Receipt given to them by General Schuyler, for thirty eight hundred & twenty three Dollars & half, which Sum was delivered by them to said General Schuyler, at Albany, p^{r} order of this Colony, and on Account of the United American Colonies. In consequence of which they are discharged from the Obligation given by them to the Receiver General for the Silver and Gold he delivered them.

NATH^{l} FOLSOM, *Chairman.*

Gave an order on the Rec^{r} General To pay Mr Josh^{a} Heath of Conway, forty pounds Lawf. Money for the purpose of purchasing Fire Arms, &c., He giving Security for it to be Returned when demanded. 40–

Ordered the Receiver General to pay Saml Dudley, Esqr One hundred and Seventy one pounds L. M^{y}, as an Additional Bounty to the Men Raised or to be Raised In Capt Harper's Company.

Ordered the Receiver General to pay Maj. Jon^{a} Childs Ninety pounds L. M^{y} for the purpose of purch^{g} Fire Arms for the use of the Colony, he to be Accountable for the Same.

Jnly 11*th. Col'y of New Hampshire To Gen'l Nath'l Folsom.*

Deliver Mr Joshua Heath, for the use of the Town of Conway, Ten pounds and Three quarters of Gun Powder. Also Ebenezar Kendal, and Stephen Eames, For the Town of Cockermouth, Fifteen pounds of Gun Powder, Taking Their Security to Account for the Same. Also forward to Coll^{o} Hurd at Cohass, Twenty pounds for the use of the Troops there. E. T.

Gave orders to Col^{o} David Gilman to deliver Mr Nichols The Ten fire arms he has at his house, belonging To the Colony.

Ordered the Receiver General to pay Col^{o} Baker One hundred and Seventy One pounds L. M^{y}, as an additional Bounty to the Men Raised or to be Raised In Captain Druer's Company.

Ordered the Receiver General to pay Mr Eben^{r} Kendal and Stephen Ames Twelve pounds, To buy armes and Amunition for

the Town of Cockermouth, They giv^{g} Security to pay the Same when demanded.

Order'd the Receiver General to pay Timothy Walker, Esqr. One hundred and Seventy One pounds, as an additional Bounty to the Men Raised or to be Raised In Captain Shepard's Company.
£171

Ordered the Receiver General To pay The undermentioned Muster Masters The following Sums of Money, To be paid by them to the Soldiers in the Several Companys they are authorized to Muster:

Timothy Walker, Esqr Twenty Three pounds Ten Shill^{s}
John Dudley, Esqr Twenty Nine pounds Seven Sh^{g} & 6^{d}
Otis Baker, Esqr Thirty Nine pounds Three shil^{gs} & 4^{d}
Samuel Sherburne, Esqr Thirty Nine pounds Three shill^{g} & 4^{d}
Samuel Dudley, Esqr 33–5–10

Moses Kelly, Esqr 23–10|	Enoch Hale, Esqr £18–16|
Samuel Ashley, Esqr £14–2|	Saml Philbrook, Esqr £31–6|8
John Bell, Esqr £29–7–6	Thomas Bartlet, Esqr £29–7–6
Ezekiel Worthen, Esqr £35–5|	James Knowles, Esqr £35–5|

order'd the Receiver General To pay James Underwood, Adjutant to Col^{o} Wingate, Eleven pounds L. Money, as Two Months advance Wages.

Ordered the Receiver General to pay To Doct^{r} Saml Wigglesworth Fourteen pounds L. M^{y}, being Two months Advance wages as Surgeon In Col^{o} Josh^{a} Wingate's Regiment.

ordered the Receiver General to pay to Elijah Grout, Esqr One hundred and Seventy one pounds, as an additional Bounty to the Soldiers in Capt Weatherbay's Company.

ordered the Receiver General To pay Benj^{a} Giles, Esqr Thirty pounds L. M^{y} To be paid by him To Coll^{o} Isaac Wyman as Two Months Advance Wages.

Ordered the Receiver General To pay Col^{o} Joseph Senter, Twenty four pounds L. M^{y} as Two months Advance Wages.

Ordered the Receiver General to pay Col^{o} Joshua Wingate Thirty pounds L. M^{y} for Two Months Advance Wages.

Order'd The Receiver General To pay Col^{o} Saml Conner Twenty four pounds, For Two months advance Wages.

To Mr Joshua Heath of Conway, *July* 11*th*, 1776.

You are hereby Authorized To Enlist Ten men To Serve as Soldiers for the Term of Three Months, unless sooner discharged, as a Scouting party. To make their Head Quarters at Said Conway, And Explore the Country from thence under your directions. And you are to pay Each good able bodied man you Enlist Thirty Shillings L. M., as a Bounty, And forty Shillings, for a Month's Advance Wages, Taking Care the Men are well Equiped and to Enlist no man Inhabiting in the Towns of Conway, Browsfield, Friburgh, or Adjacent Locations; And Engage the men that when your Roll is properly made, They Shall be paid forty Shillings a month, and you Shall be paid Three pounds Ten Shill^{gs} p^{r} month for your Service. You are Likewise to Provide the Men with provisions for their Sustenance on the Same Allowance as is Given in the Army and to other Troops. For which you will Exhibit a Just Account, And Shall Receive pay for the Same.

By order of the Committee. M. W. Cm.

Order'd the Receiver General To pay Capt Joshua Heath Thirty Eight pounds Ten Shillings L. M^{y} being for one month's advance wages for himself and Ten men, as also for a Bounty of Thirty Shillings for Each of the Ten men who he is to Enlist as Rangers To Serve in and about Conway. He to be accountable for the Same.

Ordered General Folsom to deliver Mr Benj^{m} Huntoon Eleaven pounds of powder for the Use of the Town of New Britton, He giving Security for the Same.

July 11*th*. Wrote Col^{o} Wyman of his being appointed to Command a Regiment to Join our Northern forces; And to hasten his getting himself in Readiness; at the Same time Sent him Thirty pounds, being Two months Advance Wages; also Informing him of the Names of the Captains we appointed under his Command, &c., &c.; also Sent him Thirty Two pounds for Two months advance Wages for his Surgeon, Adjutant and Quarter Master.

ordered the Rece^{r} Genl to pay Nathl Porter Sixty Seven pounds Ten Shill^{gs} to pay Capt David Woodward's Company one month's wages, having given Said Woodward order to raise a Company of 30 men—copy filed.

July 12*th.* Order'd the Receiver General to pay Thom^{s} Mehany Ten Shillings for his Expences as a Guard bringing Saml Dyer as a prisoner to this Town.

Ordered General Folsom to deliver Francis Mathes Ten pounds & $\frac{3}{4}$ of Gun Powder for the Inhabitants of Middletown.

ordered the Rec^{r} Genl to pay Lemuel Davis for mending Guns for y^{e} Colony, 0–9–0

July 13*th.* Ordered the Receiver General To pay Capt Jeremiah Ames Eighty Three pounds Ten Shillings L. M^{y} as Wages for a Cap., One L^{t} & one Ensign, Together with 47 privates to Enlist as Rangers To Scout in and about the Upper Colony.

Captain,	6
Lt.	4
Ensign,	3
47 at a Bounty of 30| Each,	70–10
	£83–10

Ordered the Receiver General to pay Capt Titas Salter 48–6|3$\frac{1}{2}$ L. M., being the amount of his pay Roll for 29 men Enlisted out of his Company and bound for Canada, made up to the 10th Instant.

Order'd the Receiver General to pay Jacob Treadwell, Esqr Thirty five pounds Thirteen Shillings L. M^{y} for Powder, Balls, Lead, Tin Kettles, &c., he has gave order to be delivered at Northumberland, Upper Cohass.

Ordered the Receiver General to pay Rob. Towle, Printer, Seven pounds L. M., to be by him Accounted for.

To Joseph Peverly, Esqr. Sir:—you are hereby desired to make provision for and deliver the Company Stationed at the Upper Cohass, Such Allowance from time to time As is given and allowed in the Army to Soldiers, Excepting that the Officers are to have One Ration only as other Soldiers. Said Company, when full, is to consist of Fifty Men, Officers included, and you will keep a Regular Account of your proceedings, and make Return thereof To the General Assembly, or in their Recess, to the Committee of Safety. M. W.

Ordered the Receiver General to pay Joseph Peverly, Esqr fifty pounds L. M., to be by him accounted for.

July 15*th.* Order'd the Receiver General to pay Samuel Philbrook, Esqr 138–12| To be accounted for by him as Muster Master.

July 15*th.* Order'd the Receiver General To pay Nicholas Nickells four pounds, to be accounted for.

Ordered the Receiver General To pay Maj^{r} Bartlet Three hundred pounds L. M., To be by him acc^{d} for as Muster Master.

July 16*th.* Order'd the Receiver General To pay Major Moses Baker Twenty pounds L. M^{y}, being Two months Advance Wages.

Order'd The Receiver General To pay Mr Wm Coffin Nine pounds 6|7 L. M^{y}, for the hire of his Gundelo & the pay for Lumber for fire Rafts, as p^{r} his Acc^{t}.

Ordered The Receiver General To pay Wm Parker, Esqr Six pounds Lawful Money, To be by him Acc^{t} for.

order^{d} D^{o} to pay Levi Robinson and Nehemiah Chase 12| Each for Blankets found themselves last year in Capt Moses Leavitt's Comp^{y}.

July 17*th.* Order'd The Receiver General to pay Timothy White Six pounds L. M^{y} for Two Months Advance Wages as quarter Master In Col^{o} Wingate's Reg^{t}.

18*th.* Order'd the Receiver General To pay Moses Kelly, Esqr Two hundred and Twenty Three pounds L. M., to be accounted for by him as Muster Master of Cap. —— Comp^{y}.

Order'd the Receiver General to pay Saml Cutts, Esqr Six hundred pounds L. M^{y}, to be Accounted for by him as Commissary.

Order'd the R. G. to pay Jabez Dodge 30| for a Gun Supplied one Natha^{l} Coffin, a Soldier last year.

Ordered Ditto. to pay Capt Elip^{t} Daniels' Roll up to the 17th of July, Amounting to £154–12.

Gave an order to Mr Elijah Grout to muster & pay what men Should be presented to him by Capt Harper, not mustered before.

ordered the R. G. to pay Joseph Stacey 11| for dieting Saml Dyer in prison.

19*th.* Gave the Receiver General an order to pay Col^{o} Jacob Bayley £150, to be accounted for by him when demanded.

Gave An order on the Receiver General to pay Noah Emery, Junr Twelve pounds L. M., To be by him accounted for as paymaster To Col. Wyman's Reg^{t}.

Gave an order on the R. G. To pay Noah Emery, Junr 12| L. M^{y} for his Time, Expences & horse hire to Newb^{y}port.

Gave an order on the R. G. To pay Mr Benj. Sweat Twenty four Shillings L. M., for his Expences Com^{g} down here with Lead Ore, &c.

20*th*. Gave directions to Mr Champney To buy What Brimstone he can at portsmouth, and Convey the Same to this Town in half Barrels made for that purpose.

Gave directions to Doct. Adams To proceed to Salem & purchase What Brimstone he Can for the Colony Acc^{t}.

Wrote Col^{o} Hurd, Advising him of our proceedings with Respect to the Men we have Ordered to be Raised to Guard our frontiers. Also of his Appointment together with Col^{o} Bayley & Col^{o} Johnston to give directions from time to time to those men. Likewise desired him to apprehend those persons who would ask the Aid and assistance of General Burgoine.

Desired the Select men of Canterbury, or Jerem^{h} Clough, Esqr or any person in Whose Custody any swivel or Small Carriage Guns may be found in Said Canterbury, Sent up from Portsmouth for their defence in a former War, To deliver them to Lt Samuel Atkinson, to be forwarded by him to Cohooss.

To John Hurd, Jacob Bayley & Charles Johnston, Esq^{rs} :

You are hereby desired and Empower'd to Act as a Committee To give directions To all Scouting parties under pay of this Colony on Connecticut River, directing their Routs and Conduct from time to time.

July 22*d*, 1776. Ordered the Receiver Genl to pay Mr Otis Baker, Esqr £200 to pay off Soldiers in Col^{o} Evans' Reg^{t}.

ordered Ditt^{o} to pay Capt Tim^{thy} Clements Eighteen Pounds to pay his recruits Blanket money, he to Acc^{t} therefor.

Gave South Hampton Soldiers leave to go & Join Capt Chandler's Company.

23*d*. ordered Receiver Genl to let Daniel Beede, Esqr have

£30 to buy Firearms for Sandwich, he giving Security to repay the Same—order returned, money not drawn.

Ordered D° to pay Sam^{ll} Blunt £5 to Assist him in travelling post to Crown point.

Wrote to Col° Walker to pay Mr Stephen Hoight Two months Advance Wages as Sec^{d} Lieut. in Capt Stilson's Comp^{y}, With orders that he with his men may be despatched as soon as possible to Join his Company.

Ordered the Receiver General To Pay Maj^{r} Joseph Bass Twenty pounds L. M., To be acc^{d} for by him as pay master To Col° Wingate's Reg.

24. Ordered the Receiver General To Pay Dr Saml Wigglesworth, To be paid by him to Dr Samuel Moores, Eight pounds L. M^{y}, being Two months advance Wages for him as Drs Mate in Col° Wingate's Regiment.

Gave Col° Saml Sherburne Directions To Muster The New Raised men in the Several Companies Stationed at Piscataqua Harbour in the Room of those Enlisted To Serve in the Northern Army and on board the Man of War.

Ordered the Receiver General To pay Capt Titas Salters' Role made up to the 16th July inclusive.

Ordered the Receiver General To pay Cap. Dearing's Role made up to 22^{d} July.

ordered the R. G. to pay Saml Trott, to be Transmitted to Benj. Giles, Esqr, for him to Acc^{t} for £20.

Wrote Letters To Col° Wingate, Col° Wyman, Mr Grout, Col° Ashley, and Benjamin Giles, and Sent them off by Mr Trott.

Ordered the Receiver General To pay Jon^{a} Moulton, Esqr £35 for to buy guns, &c., for Moultonborough; £35 d° for to buy guns, &c., for Tamworth; also £15 for the pay of 50 lb. of powder bought of him W^{ch} he is to Deliver to the Select men, to be by —— distributed to Each town in proportion to its Inhabitants.

July 25th. Ordered the R. G. To pay Doct^{r} Caleb G. Adams, for the Purpose of Buying Brimstone and Medicins, Two hundred pounds L. M^{y}.

Ordered General Folsom to deliver Danl Beede, for the Town

of Sandwich, 25 lb. of Gun Powder, Beede to give Security to acc^{t} therefor—order returned—Powder not received.

Settled with Lieut. Jno Griffin for a journey to Boston to procure powder, &c., from Genl Ward, which Powder he dl^{d} at N° 4. his Acc^{t} for his time, Horse hire & Exp^{s} was £8–11–1, Which was allowed. He rec^{d} £15–5^{s} of General Ward, which left a bal^{s} of £6–13–11, that s^{d} Griffin deposited in the hands of the Committee, and by them lodg'd in the Treasury.

Ordered the Receiver General to pay John Taylor Gilman £4–14|9, for Numbring and Drying Money.

Ordered The Receiver General to pay Major James Hackett Five pounds Nineteen Shillings & Three pence, Being the amount of his acc^{t} for mustering men At Portsm^{o}, And the Expences of himself and Comp^{y} going to the Lines, and for his Expences going to Boston after Powder.

Order'd the Receiver General To pay the Revd Nathl Porter Twelve pounds L. M^{y}, being Two months advance Wages as Chaplain In Coll^{o} Joshua Wingate's Regiment.

Order'd the Receiver General to pay Noah Emery, Junr eight pounds lawful M^{y}, to be by him accounted for as pay master to Col^{o} Wyman's Regiment.

Citation to Lt John Gilman Issued for him to appear here on the 7th of Augt next to answer a Comp^{t} ag^{t} him for Cheating Soldiers out of their Coat Money.

July 27th. Ordered the Receiver General to pay Nich^{s} Nichols four pounds three Shillings and nine pence Lf^{l}, it being the bal^{s} due to him for carrying Tin Kettles to N° 4, &c.

Wrote the Chairman of the Committee of Dover about McMaster's Goods—Copy on file.

Gave Genl Folsom orders to take up Deserters & Send them to the Corps they belong to.

Adjourned till Monday the 5th of Augt next.

Aug't 5th. Mett according to Adjournment.

Order'd the Receiver General To pay Capt Joshua Heath Thirty One pounds Ten Shillings to procure provisions, Lead, &c., for his Company, To be Accounted for by him.

Order'd General Folsom To deliver Said Heath Eleaven pounds of Gun Powder for the Company under his Command.

Order'd the Receiver General To pay Mr Chase Witcher of Warren, Twenty four pounds To buy Arms & Ammunition, he Giving Security to pay the Same When Demanded.

6. Ordered the Receiver General to pay Richard Champney 43–11|6, being to pay for Brimstone he purchased in Portsmouth, and Sent up here & delivered the Same to N^{s} Gilman, Esqr.

Aug't 6th. Order'd the Receiver General To Pay Wm Appleton 11| for Sundrys for the Use of the Court & Committee.

Gave Doc^{t} Josiah Gilman Orders to deliver Samuel Hobart, Esqr The Salt Petre now in his hands, not Exceeding Six Tons, he giving his Receipt for the Same.

Order'd the Receiver General To pay Capt David Woodward Seventy pounds L. Money for the Supply of his Company, which he is to Account for.

Ordered the Receiver General To pay Daniel Fowle Twenty pounds L. M., to be by him Accounted for.

7th. Order'd the Receiver General to pay Mr Wm Mead £6–10| for making and heading Casks to put Salt petre in.

Order'd the Receiver General to pay Coll^{o} Tim^{y} Walker £94–7–6¾, Being Ballance due to him as one of the Muster Masters, p^{r} Acc^{t} Settled.

Ordered the Receiver General to pay Coll^{o} Saml Sherburne 10–14|9 L. M^{y}, being the Ballance due to him p^{r} his Acc^{t} as Muster Master to Capt Arnold's Company.

Order'd the Receiver General to pay John Smith £6–2–3, it being the am^{t} of his Acc^{t} for signing & numbering the Money emitted the 26th day of January last.

Aug. 7. The Committee Taking into Consideration the Necessity of Compleating The Battalion now at Portsm^{o} in order to make them Continental Troops, Gave the following Captains orders to Compleat their Companies, Viz: Caleb Hodgdon, Ebenezar Dearing, Timothy Clements, John Calfe, Nathan Brown, now down there, Mark Wiggins, John Brewster & Peter Coffin to raise Companies.

8th. Ordered the Receiver General to Notify by Advertizing in the Portsmouth & Exeter Gazzettes, all delinquent Constables Whose names are returned to you, otherwise the Selectmen who have not paid the Colony Tax, which by their Warrants they were ordered to pay you, That unless they Speedily pay the Same, Extents will Issue ag^{t} them. Also all former Constables or Selectmen as afores^{d}, who were delinquent in paying the Colony Tax to George Jaffrey, Esqr, late Treas^{r}, that unless they likewise pay said Tax to you, Extents will Issue against them.

Wrote by Capt Long to the Committee of War in the Massachusetts Bay, requesting them to Supply us with Some pieces of Cannon for our Forts at the Entrance of the Harbour.

Aug't 19*th.* Part of the Com^{e} Met, &c.

Aug't 20. Order'd the Receiver General to pay Capt Eliphalet Daniels' Comp^{y} £154–12^{s}, it being the amount of their pay Roll up to 17th Instant.

Ordered the Receiver General to pay Col^{o} Stephen Evans 11–19–0|4, Being So much he Expended in Taking up deserters from the Northern Army.

Aug. 20*th.* Ordered the Receiver General To pay to Col^{o} Evans five pounds Three Shillings, for the time of the Committee of Dover Invoicing McMaster's Goods; And Eight pounds Seven Shill^{gs} for the Expences of a Guard upon Said Goods, and his own Expences.

Gave Major Childs orders to take depositions in the Presence of Col^{o} Hurd, & Col^{o} Bayley, & Col^{o} Johnston, or any two of them.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Capt Dav^{d} Woodward Forty five pounds as a bounty for his Comp^{y}, Consisting of Thirty men, at Thirty Shillings Each.

21*st.* Ordered the Receiver General to pay Capt David Woodward £3–16–2 Lf^{l} for Horse hire & Exp^{s} in bringing Col^{o} Porter from Coos to Exeter & returning, it being the Am^{t} of his account laid in.

Order'd the Receiver Genl to pay the Captains Caleb Hodgdon, John Calfe, & Timothy Clements, each of them £223–12^{s} Lf^{l} &

Capt Ebenezar Dearing £227–18^{s} L. M^{y}, it being for one month's advance wages, pay & Blanket Money for the Companys they are now inlisting in the Continental service, the receiver Genl to take the Security of the S^{d} Captains, with good sureties.

Aug't 21*st.* ordered the Receiver General to pay Capt Caleb Hodgdon £12–12^{s} L. M^{y}, for Blanket money for 21 new recruits by him inlisted in the Colony Service.

Ordered the Receiver General to pay Capt John Calfe Six pounds L. M^{y}, for Blanket Money for 10 Recruits by him inlisted in the Colony service.

Ordered the Receiv^{r} General To pay Capt Titas Salter's Role 130–2–3½ For Each man Respectively, being made up to the 16th August.

Ordered the R. General to pay Major George Gains One hundred & fifty pounds L. M^{y}, To be Accounted for by him as Quarter Master.

Appointed Major George Gains Muster Master to Capt Hodgdon's, Calfe's, Brown's, Clement's, & Dearing's Comp^{ys} now raising for the Continental Service.

22*d.* Ordered the receiver General to pay Capt Peter Coffin £223–12 L. M^{y} for a Month's advance pay & Blanket Money for the Company he is now inlisting for the Continental Service, upon his giving his Security with a good Surety.

Aug't 30*th.* Cap. Coffin This day Ret^{d} his Order, Not hav^{g} Rec^{d} The Money of the R. G.

Ordered The Receiver General To pay Deacon Isaac Williams 20| In full, for the use of his Room for the Comm^{e} during Last Sessions of the Court.

Ordered the receiver General to pay Capt Mark Wiggin £223–12 L. M^{y}, for a Month's advance pay & Blanket Money for the Company he is now inlisting for the Continental Service, upon his giving his Security with one sufficient Surety for the Same.

Aug. 22*d.* This day Settled acc^{t} with Samuel Philbrook, Esqr one of the Muster Masters, And find a Ballance due to the Colony of 102–3^{s}, as p^{r} Acc^{t} filed. Which Sum he has paid into the Treasury, as p^{r} the Treasurer's Rec^{t} to him.

23*d*. Also Settled With Thomas Bartlet, Esqr, One of the Must^{r} Masters, And find a Ballance due from him to the Colony of 181–8–0, as p^{r} his Acc^{t} filed. Which Sum he has paid into the Treasury, as p^{r} the Treasurer's Receipt to him.

Likewise Settled with Moses Kelly, Esqr, Another of the Muster Masters, and find a Ballance due from him to the Colony of 8–2–4, as p^{r} his Acc^{t} filed. Which Sum he has paid into the Treasury, as p^{r} the Treasurer's R^{t} to him.

Also Settled with John Dudley, Esqr, Another of the Muster Masters, and find a Ballance due from him to the Colony of 344–0–3. Which Sum he has now paid into the Treasury, as p^{r} the Treasurer's Receipt to him.

Aug't 29. Ordered the Receiver General To pay Saml Cutts, Esqr Six hundred pounds L. M^{y}, for him to account for as Commissary.

30. Settled with James Knowles, Esqr, One of the Must^{r} Masters, And find a Ballance due from him to the Colony of 2–9–11. Which Sum he has paid into the Treasury, as p^{r} the Treasurer's Rec^{t} to him.

Gave Orders to Col^{o} Nich^{s} Gilman to Muster Capt Peter Coffin's Company.

Ordered the Receiver General to pay Capt Eben^{r} Dearing's Role, Amounting to 99–1–9, made up to 22^{d} August. Also 10–4| for the Blanket M^{y} for the Recruits he Enlisted to fill his Company While in the Colony Service.

Settled with Samuel Dudley, Esqr, One of the Muster Masters, And find a Ballance due from him of 107–6| Which Sum he has now paid into the Treasury, As p^{r} the Treasurer's Receipt to him.

Gave orders to Major Gains to deliver to the proprietors of the Schooner McClary, 4 Barrels of powder, Likewise 60 or 70 Cannon Shot, (4 pounders,) if they can safely be Spared, They promising to Return the Same as Speedily as may be.

Gave directions to Otis Baker, Esqr To Muster Capt John Brewster's Company.

Ordered the Receiver General To pay Capt Nathan Brown 223–12| L. M^{y}, for one month's Advance pay and Blanket Money, he

is now raising in the Continental Service, Upon his Giving Security in One Sufficient Surety for the Same.

ordered R. G. to pay John Rice, Esqr Three pounds, for firewood, Room & Candles for ye Committee, & Diet for Expresses.

Monday, September 23d, 1776.

The Committee of Safety appointed by Vote of Council & Assembly Were to meet this day by appointment; five only met, & the public Business not admitting of Delay, proceeded to Business.

Ordered the receiver General to pay Col^{o} Joseph Welch Seventeen pounds ten Shillings, being a Month's advance pay for himself as Lieut. Col^{o}, and Joseph Smith as Adjutant in Col^{o} Tash's regiment.

Order'd the Receiver General to pay Col^{o} Thomas Tash Seven pounds ten Shillings, for a Month's advance Wages for Dr Jno Cook, Surgeon in his Regiment.

Ordered the Receiver General to pay Capt Caleb Hodgdon's Company the Amount of their pay Roll from the first day of July to the 18th day of Septem^{r} Ins^{t}, it being £345–2^{s}–9^{d} Lf^{l} M^{y}.

Tuesday, Sept'r 24th.

Wrote to Genl Ward, (by Maj^{r} Coffin,) concerning Powder & Ball for our forces going to New York.

Sent Letters to Genl Washington, & Mr Hancock—the copies filed.

Ordered the Receiver General to pay Maj^{r} Peter Coffin ten pounds, to bear his expences to Boston on Express, &c., to be by him accounted for.

Ordered the R. G. to pay the Roll of Capt Elip^{t} Daniels to the 17th of Septem^{r}, amounting to one Hundred & forty Eight pounds Ten Shillings & four pence.

Wrote to Capt Eames, at upper Cohoss, to continue his Company there until the 1st of December, unless ordered otherwise.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Joseph Peverly, Esqr Fifty Pounds, for him to Supply Capt Eames' Company, for which he is to account.

Gave Col^{o} Nich^{s} Gilman orders to Send one Benjn Folsom to Prison, unless he pay the whole money back he rec^{d} to march to Ticon^{a} & neglected going.

gave Peter Gilman an order on the Treas^{r} for £20–16–½, to pay a Carpenter's Bill.

Septem'r 25th, Wednesday. ordered the R. G. to pay Col^{o} William Whipple one Hundred & Fifty Pounds towards Supporting him at Philadelphia, to be Accounted for by him.

Settled With Col^{o} Peirce Long his Barrack Masters Acc^{t}, & all other Acc^{t}, and ordered the R. G. to pay him the Balance of his Acc^{t}, Amounting to £34–2–4. The Sum of £72–13–6, money outstanding for Sales of Sundry Goods not Accounted for by him, but he is to collect them. the Money outstanding is one from

Col^{o} Eavens,	£20–15–7
Stephen Paul,	2–14
Dr Hovey,	9–15
Mr Cutts,	39– 8–4
	72–13–6

Ordered the R. G. to pay William Yeaton the Sum of Six Pounds Ten Shillings, for Sundry Tools supplied the State with, & Labour done, as p^{r} Acc^{t}.

Gave Col^{o} Long orders to take the Command of the Matross Companies.

ordered the R. G. to pay Maj^{r} Gregg £10, a month's advance wages.

Desired Col^{o} Long to employ his Soldiers in repairing the New Castle Bridge, and to lay out £25 to purchase Materials therefor.

adjourned till Thursday the 3rd day of October next.

Thursday, October 3d, 1776. Met according to adjournment.

Ordered The Treas^{r} to pay Capt Timothy Clement, for Expences in recruiting his Company after the Canada recruits were Enlisted out of them, &c., Three pounds Five Shillings & Two pence.

Ordered D^{o} to pay Lieut. Nathl Fifield one pound one Shilling and nine pence for recruiting men in Capt Clement's Comp^{y}.

October 4th. Wrote to Capt Eames at Cohoss to Employ his Soldiers in building a Fort at Lancaster, & Strictly to Obey his former orders.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Maj^{r} Gains £243–18–6, to be Accounted for.

ordered Ditto to pay Col^{o} W. Whipple the Balance of his Acc^{t} for Sundry Services, as p^{r} Acc^{t}, the Sum of £12–10–9.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Maj^{r} Gains £150, to be Accounted for by him.

ordered Maj^{r} Gains to Look after 2 Cannon at Newbury, belonging to the State.

ordered D^{o} to pay Col^{o} Saml Hobart £150, to be Accounted for.

Settled Acc^{ts} with Capt Josiah Moulton, and he produced a Recep^{t} from the Treas^{r} for £25–19, Which closed the Account.

ordered D^{o} to pay John Hopkinson, for Scale Beam & Weight for the Salt Petre Committee, £13–10–11.

Saturday, Qctober 5th, 1776. Gave orders to Capt Abraham Perkins to Enlist a Comp^{y} in the Continental Batt^{s}, taking in those Enlisted by Capt Hodgdon.

Ordered The R. G. to pay Sam^{ll} Cutts £200, to be accounted for.

Ordered The R. G. to pay Peter Coffin £2–17^{s}–4½, it being the amount of his Acc^{t} for going Express to General Ward.

ordered the R. G. to pay Robt L. Fowle £20, to be Accounted for.

Monday, October 21st. The Committee met according to Appointment.

ordered the Receiver Genl to pay Jno Ward Gilman, for a Seal for this State, 35|

Ordered the R. G. to pay Col^{o} Daniel Moore the Balance of his Acc^{t} for Mustering & pay the Comp^{y} raised in his Reg^{t} for New York.

ordered the R. G. to pay the Committee, viz: Blanchard, Giles, Evans, & Gilman, going to raise a New Army at Ticonderoga, One Hundred & fifty pounds.

October 22d. Ordered N. Folsome, Esqr to deliver to Col^{o} Hurd One Barrel of the State's Powder.

Ordered D° to deliver to the Selectmen of the Town of Exeter One Bbl. of the State's powder, instead of two ½ barrels, borrowed of them some time since.

Made out Instructions for the Committee going to Ticonderoga, also Letters to Gen[l] Washington & Gates.

Settled with Col° Enoch Hale for Mustering & paying 2 Companies, viz: Cap[t] Parker's, in Col° Wyman's Regim[t] for Canada, & Cap[t] Smith's in Col° Bawldwin's Regim[t] for New York, & he produced a Rec[t] from the Treasurer of 17–15, of this date for the Ballance which was in his hands for the whole Acc[t].

Settled with M[r] Abial Abbott for mustering & paying 2 Companies, viz: Cap[t] Read's Company & Cap[t] Putnam's in Col° Bawldwin's Regim[t] for New York, the Bal. being 8–0| 8 due to the State, & for which he produced a Rec[t] from the Rec[r] Gen[l], Nath[l] Gilman, Esq[r].

Wednesday, October 23d, 1776. Ordered the R. G. to pay Cap[t] Trueworthy Gilman £9–11, for going Express to Keen to call in the Members of the General Court.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Nathan Taylor, for 4 days Attendance at the Assembly as Doorkeeper, 12|

Settled with Col. Evens for mustering & paying Cap[t] Emerson's & Cap[t] McDuffee's Companies, in Col. Tashe's Regiment for New York, & Gave an order upon the Receiver Gen[l] for the Ballance, being 13–14–8.

Thursday, Oct. 24th, 1776. Ordered the Rec[r] Gen[l] to pay M[r] Nath[l] Balsh £12, for 30 Powder Barrels.

Ordered the R. Gen[l] to pay Cap[t] David Woodward £168–19[s]–3, it being the bal[s] due for his Comp[y], lately disbanded, also the Commissary's Bill & Doct[rs] Bill.

Settled with Cap[t] Worthen, as Muster Master for Cap[t] Ray's & Stillson's Comp[ys]; there was a balance due from Cap[t] Worthen of £551–12[s]–2[d], which he has Lodg[d] with the Receiver General, and brought his rec[t].

ordered the R. G. to pay Cap[t] David Woodward £4 for his Journey to Settle his Roll.

Ordered the Sherif of Strafford to Liberate Jeremiah Tibbets,

he paying what he re^{d} from the State, & the charges of apprehending him.

ordered the R. G. to pay Mr Cutts £200, to be Acc^{d} for.

Wednesday, October 30th, 1776. Met according to Adjournment.

Settled with Maj^{r} Thom^{s} Bartlet for Mustering & paying Two Companies raised for New York, in Coll^{o} Nich^{s} Gilman's Reg^{t}, and gave him an order on the Trea^{sr} for £5–7–9, the Balance of his Acc^{t}.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Col^{o} Sam^{ll} Hobart £200, to finish paying the Rolls of the Several Co^{s} in Reed's, Stark's, & Poor's Reg^{ts}, to be acc^{d} for by him.

Ordered Genl Folsom to deliver Mr James Templeton, for the Town of Peterboro', 54 lb. of Powder, & Mr Saml Brown, for the Town of Mason, 54 lb. of Powder, taking Security to Acc^{t} therefor.

Thursday, Oct. 31st. Ordered the R. G. to pay Capt Joshua Heath £64–6–7, the Balance of his pay Roll of his Comp^{y} & for Billeting his Comp^{y}.

Ordered the receiver General to pay Maj^{r} Caleb Hodgdon £4–19–6, for his recruiting 21 Men, & Exp^{s} getting out Timber at Dover for the fort at New Castle.

(Col^{o} Baker took it in his behalf.)

Agreed with Mr Danl Gilman for 100 Coarse Moose Hide Breeches at 18|

ordered Genl Folsom to deliver Joseph Herrick, for the Town of Lyndsborough, 63^{lb} of Gun Powder, he paying the Money therefor.

ordered the R. G. to pay Dr Levi Dearborn £12–10, for to be Acc^{d} for.

Agreed with Capt Trueworthy Gilman to make 100 p^{rs} Shoes at 8|

Ordered the Receiver Genl to deliver Capt Heath £20, to Buy Neces^{rs} for the Indians, Which he is to render an Acc^{t} of the disposition of.

Friday, November 1st, 1776.

Agreed with Mr Nich^{s} Gilman of Exeter for 50 p^{rs} of Shoes at 8| to be delivered in 5 weeks.

Order'd the R. Genl to pay Isaac Williams 15| in full for his room for Committee, & Candles.

Order'd Genl Folsom to deliver Capt Heath 10 lb. Powder for the Indians. (*Oct. 31st.*)

Ordered the R. Genl to pay Genl Folsom £50, to be by him accounted for, it being for the purpose of purchasing Cloathing for the Soldiers.

Gave Verbal orders to Capt Eames to engage 10 men at Cohass thr^{o} the winter, for Scouts.

Order'd the R. G. to pay Capt Eames £284–11, the Balance of his Roll & Acc^{t}.

Wednesday, November 6th, 1776.

Met according to adjournment.

Order'd the Receiver Genl to pay James Anderson £4–10^{s}, it being the (advance) half of what he is to have for going post to Ticonderoga, & bringing Letters from the Soldiers belonging to this State, free of Cost.

Wrote to Genl Gates to Introduce Mr Anderson.

And to Col^{o} Wingate to Inform him Letters are to be Bro't free.

Thursday, Nov'r 7th. Desired Maj^{r} Hodgdon to pay the advance pay to the Soldiers inlisted by Capt Perkins.

Settled with Col^{o} Gale for Mustering 75 men for N. Y., he producing a Rec^{t} from the Trea^{sr} for £8–15, Which Acc^{ts} for the money he rec^{d}.

Friday, November 8th, 1776. Passed the pay Roll of Capt Henry Dearborn for his Company that went in Col^{o} Arnold's Detachment to Quebeck, up to the first of September, 1775, and ordered the R. G. to pay what was due to Each person made up in s^{d} Roll.

Wednesday, Nov'r 13th, 1776. At a Special Meeting of the Committee to Confer with the Officers who brought a number of Tories to this place from the State of N. York.

Thursday, Nov'r 14th.

Order'd the receiver Genl to pay Mr Joseph Gilman forty seven pounds thirteen Shillings, it being the amount of his two acc^{ts} exhibited against the State, one of which is Continental.

Sent a power of Attorney, accompanied by a Letter, to Michael Hodge, Esqr of Newbury Port, impowering him in behalf of the State to recover any Cannon belonging thereto, &c.

Order'd the receiver General to pay Genl Folsom one Hundred pounds for the Purpose of Purchasing Cloathing for the Soldiers in the Army, to be by him accounted for.

Made an order for the present Disposal of the Tories bro't from New York, a copy of which is on file.

Copied a Number of Papers, &c.

ordered the Gun Powder Committee to Send 2 Tuns to Portsmouth Powder House.

Monday, Nov'r 18th. Met and conversed about Sundry Measures relative to the New York prisoners.

19th. ordered the R. G. to pay Rowland Jenkins 48| for House Rent for Soldiers on Seavey's Island, the matter to be adjusted hereafter by the Committee.

Ordered the R. G. to pay the Roll of Capt Elip^{t} Daniel up to the 17th of November, amounting to £150–5–4$\frac{1}{4}$.

ordered D^{o} to pay Col^{o} Jno Webster £1–7–8, the Balance of his Acc^{t} for pay^{g} Capt Reynolds' Comp^{y} in Col^{o} Tashe's Reg^{t}.

Ordered the Receiver General to pay the Roll of Capt Titus Salter, amounting to £201–5–4.

Ordered D^{o} to pay Capt Salter, for Gundeloe Hire to July 30th 1776, £19–4–0, agreeable to a Certificate from Maj^{r} Gains, the Q. M.

20th. Ordered the R. G. to pay Capt Josiah Gilman 24| for Copying Acts for the General Assembly.

ordered D^{o} to pay Sam^{ll} Cutts £200, to be Accounted for.

Wrote to General Ward (by Col^{o} Cilley,) the State of our Continental Regiment, and Sent him Copies of the Votes.

Gave Col^{o} Hobart an order on the R. G. for £200, to be accounted for.

22*d*. met in order to take Care of a new Company of Tories bro't from New York, and made out Mittimus^{s} to confine 28 in Exeter Gaol, 7 in Portsmouth Gaol, 19 in Dover Gaol, and 14 in Amherst Gaol, and sent lists to Capt Robinson to Execute the Same—the names of the Persons sent to each place in a list on file.

23*d*. Ordered the receiver Genl to pay Capt Nathan Brown £9–12, in full for Blanket Money for 16 Recruits.

ordered the receiver Genl to pay Thomas Folsom's acc^{t} of 16|, for Sundry Services.

Granted a permit to John Wheeler & Roward Wheeler to go to New York.

Spent this Day in making divers orders & Regulations relative to the Prisoners.

Wrote to the Continental Congress to Commission Col^{s} Long & Mooney, & Maj^{r} Hodgdon.

Rec^{d} information from Genl Ward that Col^{o} Long's Reg^{t} was ordered by him to Ticonderoga.

Friday, December 13*th*, 1776, *P. M.*

After the General Court was dissolved, the Committee met & ordered the Receiv^{r} Genl to pay Jno Hurd, Esqr 40^{s}, as pay for his travel at Octr short Session, he not getting in till the Court was adjourned.

Ordered the receiver General to pay Dr Hall Jackson Twenty Eight pounds, for his Attendance and Care of the Sick at Piscataqua, from June 30th to Septr 16th; and for Ditto for Salter's & Daniels' Comp^{ys} from Septr 16th to Decem^{r} 16th; And also £23–3–7, for Medicene administered the Sick afores^{d}. Voted by the General Assembly.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Col^{o} Sam^{ll} Folsom One pound Eighteen Shillings, the Expence of a Dinner for the Committee with some New York gentlemen.

Major Jonathan Child, who was employed to purchase firearms for the State, presented his Acct., (which is on file,) by which there is due to State, £9–13–8.

Saturday, December 14*th*, 1776.

Ordered the R. G. to Let Mr Robt L. Fowle have out of the Treasury £30, to be Accounted for by him in Settlement of his Acc^{t} for Printing.

Order'd the R. G. to pay Deacon Williams 29| for Room, firewood, Candles, &c., for Committees of the Genl Assembly during ye late Session.

Order^{d} the R. G. to pay Rob. Archibald, Constable of London Derry, £1–16^{s}| for wch he is to be Accountable.

Ordered the R. Genl to pay Col^{o} Jon^{a} Moulton £23–12–8, to discharge the Roll of a Gaurd kept on the Sea Coast.

Col^{o} Jon^{a} Moulton produced the Treasurer's rec^{t} for £14–12^{s}, which closes his Acc^{t} & Role for Mustering & Bounty of the Men lately raised in his Reg^{t} for the service at New York.

Jan'y 20*th*, 1777.

The following persons being app^{d} a Committee of Safety by the Council & Assembly, viz: Mesheck Weare, Josiah Bartlett, Nicholas Gilman, Eben^{r} Thompson, John Dudley, George Gains, Josiah Moulton, Thomas Odiorne, Levi Dearborn, Benjamin Barker, Nathl Peabody, & John Wentworth, Junr. A Quorum met this day & proceeded on Business.

Appointed E. Thompson, Chairman for the present, until Col^{o} Weare or Col^{o} Bartlett attends.

Ordered the Rec^{t} Genl to pay Capt Amos Morrill £200 to recruit men with, for which he is to Acc^{t}.

Gave Capt Amos Morrill orders to raise a Company in Col^{o} Poor's Reg^{t} & the papers of Enlistment, &c.

Tuesday, Jan'y 21*st*.

Michael McClary of Epsom appointed a Captain in Col^{o} Scammell's Reg^{t} and orders given him.

order^{d} the Rec^{r} Genl to Let Capt Michael McClary have £200, for which he is to Account.

Ordered the Receiver General to pay Capt Eben^{r} Dearing 34| for enlisting 17 men to fill vacancies in his Companies where the men had leave to Enlist out; also 36| for his Expences and horse hire twice to Exeter with the officers of the George, Schooner, as prisoners, 3–10^{s}.

In Consequence of a Letter from Co^{l} Long, the Commit^{e} gave him the following Answer: that the Invalides of his Regim^{t} remain at Fort Hancock until further orders. That the prisoners at New Castle will soon be Sent to Newport, Rhode Island, in pursuance of orders from G. Washington. That as he is now fixing off for Ticonderoga, he leave the paying for Barrack room, damage to houses, &c., to a Special Committee, to be appointed for that purpose.

Lieu^{t} Gile of Plaistow, who was appointed Lieu^{t} of Capt Weare's Company, declining to accept, the Committee appointed James Wedgwood, first Lieut., & Thomas Simpson, Jun., late of Deerfield, 2^{d} Lieut^{n} of said Company.

Daniel Livermore of Concord appointed a Captain in Col^{o} Scammell's Regiment.

Andrew McGaffee appointed first Lieut. of Capt McClary's Company.

Made out a Form of orders for the Muster orders.

gave orders to Col^{o} Baker for mustering Capt Titcomb's, Capt Bell's, Capt Carr's, and Capt Drew's Comp^{y}.

Ordered the Receiver General to Let Col^{o} Otis Baker have £2000, Two thousand pounds to pay Bounties; also fifty Pounds for to pay Travel money.

Wednesday, Jan'y 22d. Gave the Rec^{r} General orders to pay Col^{o} Joshua Wingate 18| for his Time and expence in coming to Exeter to pay money to the State he bro't from Ticonderoga.

Col^{o} Wingate paid into the Treasury £197–3–11, money he rec^{d} from the Paymaster at Ticonderoga for Travel for his Reg^{t} from home to No. 4, and produced a certificate from the Treasurer therefor.

Wrote to Col^{o} Tim^{thy} Walker for him to send the Officers on Parole at Concord forward, in order to their being sent to Newport.

Wrote to Maj^{r} White, Informing him of his app^{t} as Muster master, & desiring his attendance to receive orders.

Gave orders to Capt James Norris to raise a Comp^{y} in Col. Poor's Reg^{t}.

ordered the Receiver General to pay Capt James Norris Two Hundred Pounds to pay Bounties to the Soldiers he enlists, for which he is to account.

Gave Instructions to Capt Eliphalet Giddings to muster & pay Bounties to the following Companies, viz: Capt Zechariah Beals, Capt James Norris, Capt Amos Morrill, Capt Michael McClary, Capt Caleb Robinson, & Capt Richard Weares.

Thursday, Jan'y 23*d*, 1777.

Wrote to the Committee of Portsmouth to send all the Prisoners thereabouts to Exeter, the 30th In^{t}—a Copy of the Letter on file.

gave Capt John Drew orders to recruit a Company, & the necessary papers for Enlistment.

Major Gains appointed Muster Master to Capt Daniel's & Capt Salter's Companies.

orders given him—a copy on file.

Ordered the Receiver Genl to Let Capt John Drew have out of the Treasury £200, to be accounted for.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Nathaniel Furber £4–5–6 for working & finding Tools 114 days at 9^{d}, on the publick works at New Castle, he being a Soldier in Capt Salter's Company.

Wrote to Theophilus Dame, Esqr Sheriff of the County of Strafford, that he might Liberate from Prison all such of the N. York Prisoners as gave Bonds with Two Sufficient Sureties, to the Speaker of the House, to remain True prisoners within the Town of Dover—such Sureties being Inhabitants of this State.

Ordered Joshua Bracket, Esqr, Judge of the Court Maritime, to pay Capt Titus Salter the Sum of £255–17–5$\frac{3}{4}$, after deducting what is due to him for fees, being money in his hands, part of the Sales of the Rigging of the Ship prince George—Copy on file.

Also, ordered the Rec^{r} General to pay Capt Titus Salter one hundred pounds, to be accounted for by him as follows:

Took a Receipt (which is on file,) of Capt Salter for the Two above mentioned orders, in which he promises to pay in Equal divisions what money he Received on s^{d} orders to the 71 Claimants of the $\frac{1}{4}$ part of the Ship prince George, as decreed by the Court Maritime.

Ordered the Cap^{ts} Salter & Daniels to remove the cannon and stores from Fort Hancock to Peirce's Island forthwith.

Friday, Jan'y 24th.

Gave orders to Capt Ebenezar Frye to recruit a Company, and the necessary papers.

Gave Instructions to Maj^{r} William White to Muster the following Companies, viz: Capt Amos Emerson's, Capt Jeremiah Gilman's, & Capt Ebenezar Fry's.

and Ordered the Receiver Genl to Let Maj^{r} White have £1500 in Treas^{rs} Notes, & £50 in other Bills, for which he is to account.

Gave Capt John Davin orders to enlist 16 men to Escort the prisoners to Rhode Island.

Ordered Col^{o} Long to deliver Maj^{r} Gains the Carpenters Tools belonging to the State, in his hands.

Saturday, Jan'y 25, 1777.

Ordered the Rec^{r} General to Let Capt Eliphalet Giddings have £2000, Two Thousand pounds in Treasurer's Notes, and fifty Pounds in other Bills, to pay men he musters, for which he is to Acc^{t}.

Appointed Capt Benjamin Stone of Atkinson, to raise a Company in Col. Scammell's Reg^{t}, & gave him orders, &c.

Ordered the Rec^{r} Genl to Let Capt Benj^{a} Stone have £200, to be Accounted for.

Monday, Jan'y 27th 1777.

gave Capt John House orders to raise a Comp^{y} & the Necessary papers.

ordered the Receiver General to Let Capt John House have Three hundred pounds to pay men Continental Bounties, for which he is to be accountable.

also, £3–10–8, for horse hire, time & Expences in Sending two Expresses from Hanover to Col^{o} Bellows, at Walpole, to Muster his Comp^{y} in Sep^{t} Last.

also, £17–4–8, for the Bounties & Travel of Abel Webster & Saml Wallace, Two Soldiers in House's Company, in Sep^{t} last, not mustered by Col^{o} Bellows, the muster master, as p^{r} his return.

Ordered the Receiver General to Let Capt Zechariah Beal have £100, to be accounted for.

Tuesday, Jan'y 28th, 1777.

Gave Major Abiel Abbot orders to Muster the following companies, viz: Capt Willm Scott's of Peterboro', & Capt William Scott of Campden, & Capt Saml Blodgett's.

Gave Thomas Sparhawk orders to Muster the following Companies, viz: Jason Wait's, Isaac Farwell's, & John Gregg's.

Ordered Maj^{r} Child to Muster Capt John House's Company.

gave additional orders to Major White of Chester, to Muster Capt Jonathan Livermore's Company, & Capt Benjamin Stone's Company.

Ordered the R. General to pay Joseph Ayers 40| for halling a Tun of Lead from Portsmouth to Exeter.

Ordered the Receiver Genl to Let John Wentworth, Jr., have out of the Treasury £4000, In Treasurer's Notes, & Seventy-five pounds in other Bills, which he is to deliver to the following Muster Masters, viz: To Major Jonth Child one Thousand pounds in Notes & Twenty-five Pounds in Bills; To Thomas Sparhawk Fifteen Hundred pounds in Notes and Twenty pounds in Bills; To Abiel Abbot Thirty pounds in Bills & fifteen Hundred Pounds in Notes, to Enable them to pay Bounties & Mileage to Soldiers, according to their Instructions.

ordered the Receiver Genl to let Lieut. Saml Cherry have Sixty pounds, for paying a 20 Dollar bounty (promised by Congress) to each soldier he shall enlist to serve in Capt James Carr's Company, & to account for the same. Also, gave Cherry a Copy of Capt Carr's orders.

Gave Capt Caleb Robinson orders to raise a Company, & the necessary Enlistments.

Gave orders to Capt James Gray to raise a Company in Col^{o} Scammell's Regiment.

appointed Daniel Mittimore, of Londonderry, to be second Lieut. in Capt James Gray's Company.

ordered the R. G. to Let Capt James Gray have out of the Treasury £200, to pay Continental Bounty to Soldiers he recruits, for which he is to Acc^{t}.

ordered the Receiv^{r} Genl to pay Nathaniel Follsom Eighty-one pounds for Sixty pairs of Leather Breeches, delivered him by James Leighton at 27| p^{r} p^{r} for which sum said Folsom is to be accountable.

ordered the Receiver General to pay Capt Josiah Russell the Balance of the Roll of his Company of Rangers, amounting to Two Hundred and One pounds, seven Shillings & Two pence. Also, the Balance of his account, amounting to six pounds.

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Daniel Bedel, one of the New York Prisoners, having represented that his wife died but 20 days before he left home; that a large Family of Children were suffering in his absence, & having given Bonds jointly with Mr Nathl Weare in £500, conditioned that on his having leave to go home he would return in 50 days, unless Liberated by the State of New York; Therefore The Committee gave him a pass to go home on said conditions.

Nathaniel Weare and Jonathan Purinton, of Kensington, having given Bond in the sum of Five Hundred pounds for the good behavior of Asa Brown & Stephen Hunt, two of the New York prisoners, & that they shall remain true prisoners within the Parish of Kensington, until discharged by the General Assembly of this State, The prison keeper at Exeter had a permit to release said persons.

Wednesday, Jan'y 29th.

Settled with Col° Jonathan Chase for his Mustering & paying advance wages and Blanket money to Capt Josiah Russell's Co^{y} of Rangers. Also, for Mustering & paying advance wages & Bounty to 25 men, raised in his Regiment for New York in Col° David Gilman's Reg^{t}, he accounting for all the money he rec^{d} for both the afores^{d} purposes, left 23| in his hands which he paid to the Treasurer, and produced his Rec^{ts} therfor.

Ordered the Rec^{r} Genl to pay Col° Jonathan Chase £288–4– Two hundred & Eighty Eight pounds four shillings, the amount of his Roll for his Reg^{t} going to Ticonderoga, on the alarm in Novem^{r} 1776.

Ordered the Rec^{r} Genl to pay Tim^{thy} Bradley & Jonathan Eastman £6–15, for boarding five officers, late of the Schooner George, 3 weeks at 9| Each p^{r} Week.

Ordered Genl Follsom to Let Capt Haven have 5 lb. of Powder.

Thursday, Jan'y 30th, 1777.

Ordered the Receiver Genl to pay Philip White, Esqr Three pounds nine Shillings & four pence, for a Journey to Boston on publick Business.

Voted, That Samuel Cutts, Esqr have Liberty to send the Schooner Sidney, John Pell, Master, on a Voyage to any one of the French, Spanish, or Dutch West India Islands, for a Cargo of Salt and Molasses, he giving Bond to the Speaker of the Honble House of Representatives to present a true Inventory of her whole Cargo on her return, and give this State the refusal of the whole.

ordered the R. G. to Let Nich^{s} Gilman, Junr have out of the Treasury £200, for which he is to be accountable as Commissary to Capt John Haven.

Friday, Jan'y 31st. ordered Genl Folsom to Let Capt Haven have a p^{r} of Shoes for a Sailor who is Barefoot.

ordered the R. Genl to Let Capt Jason Wait have out of the Treas. Three hundred & Twenty Seven pounds, to pay Continental Bounty to men he recruits.

Took a Receipt of Capt Wait for the £327, and also for £33 he rec^{d} of Mr Blanchard, & deliv^{d} him his Recp^{t} that he gave Mr Blanchard.

also for £156 more, which Compleats £516 to raise a Comp^{y}.

Sent off this Day, under the Care of Capt John Haven, fifty six prisoners to be delivered to the commanding officer of the British Troops at Newport, agreeable to directions from Genl Washington. 26 of the before named prisonors were Landsmen taken at Marineck, near New York, & the Remainder, Seamen.

Received from the Committee of Portsmouth a Letter Enclosing a List of the names of 15 persons, taken up as Notoriously disaffected to the American cause, which persons were Escorted by 8 of Col^{o} Langdon's Comp^{y} of Light Infantry, commanded by Serj^{t} Woodward.

Which Persons were Severally Examined by the Committee, and then the following orders were made: that John Stavers be committed to prison, & was accordingly. James Sheafe, refusing to give his Parole to remain in Exeter until Wednesday next, & then appear before the Committee, was sent to prison. Jonathan Warner, Esqr, Oliver Whipple, Esqr, Thomas Airmet, and James Hickey were Liberated to return home & appear before the Committee next Wednesday, provided they should be Informed by the Com^{m} of Portsmouth that they had any new matter to object against them. Peter Peirce, Isaac Rindge, William Hart, Hugh Henderson, Robert Robertson, John Peirce, William Torrey, Stephen Little, & Nathaniel Treadwell, gave their Parole to remain in Exeter until next Wednesday, & then appear before the Committee, which was rec^{d}. James Sheafe sending his Parole in Writing, the prison keeper was ordered to discharge him.

Feb'y 1*st*. upon the petition of John Stavers, praying that he might be liberated, &c., the Committee Sent an order to ye prison keeper to Grant Said Stavers liberty of ye yard till their further order, he giving bond in a Sum of five hundred pounds, with Two Sufficient Sureties, to remain a True Prisoner within s^{d} limits of the prison yard till further liberated or discharged by proper authority.

Dudley Chase of Stratham appointed Ensign in Capt McClary's Comp^{y}.

Benjamin Hitchcox appointed first Lieut. of Capt Benjn Stone's Company.

Monday, *Feb'y* 3*d*, 1777.

Gave Capt John Griggs orders to raise a Company in Col^{o} Scammell's Reg^{t}.

ordered the R. G. to pay Capt John Griggs three hundred pounds, to pay the Continental Bounty to Soldiers he recruits, for which he is to be account^{ble}.

Ordered Joseph Stacey, keeper of the prison in Exeter, to receive into his Custody, Rudolph J. Eltinge, one of the prisoners Sent from N. York by Col^{o} Welsh.

Feb'y 4*th*, 1777. Gave orders to Joseph Stacey, keeper of the

prison in Exeter, to release one Jacob Mott from confinement, at the request of Col° Joseph Welsh, under whose care s^d Mott was bro^t from New York.

Col° Welsh paid the Treas^r £1–17–8, and produced his Receipt therefor, being for so much paid by the State for apprehending said Mott.

order^d the R. G. to let Theop^s Dame, Esqr have out of the Treas^ry £50, for which he is to be accountable in Supplying prisoners in Dover Gaol.

To Col° Enoch Poor:

In Consequence of directions from the Honble Artemas Ward, Esqr Maj^r Genl in the Continental Army, to this State, for Two of the Battalions raising therein, to March as soon as possible to Ticonderoga;

You are directed to Send forward your Regiment by detachments, as soon as they are raised & Equipped, under Such Officers as you think Will best Expedite the Business, directing the Officers whom you shall appoint to command such detachments, to call on the Muster Masters who Mustered their respective Companies for their Subsistence money to Num^r four; and to call on Elijah Grout, Esqr at s^d Num^r 4, for provisions to last them to Ticonderoga. And as the Speedy Reinforcing that Garrison is of so great Importance to these States, we make no Doubt but you will proceed in this matter With that vigour & forwardness you have so often shown for the defence of your Country.

ordered the R. G. to let Col° Otis Baker have £1000, one Thousand pounds to pay Men their Bounties he musters, for which he is to Acc^t.

ordered the R. G. to let Noah Emery, Junr, have forty pounds to pay travel to Col° Long's Reg^t, for which he is to Acc^t.

Sent an order to Benj. Chadbourn, of Portsmouth, to deliver an Anchor to John Moffatt, broke in the public service and mended by s^d Chadbourn, and promised to pay him.

Gave orders to Col° Poor Imediately to send forward to Ticonderoga his Reg^t by detachments.

Made an agreement with Col° Hobart about making Gun Powder, which written agreement is on file.

Feb'y 5th. The Committee repaired to the State House & resumed the Consideration of the matters alleged against the Prisoners sent hither from Portsm°.

made an order for the Prison keeper to send Jn° Stavers, under the Care of James Randlet, to appear before this Committee, and after hearing the Evidence for & against the Prisoners, published the following Resolution and recommendation:

Sundry persons sent under Guard by the Committee of Portsmouth for Examination, accused of being Notoriously disaffected to the American Cause, having this day been convened before the Committee, the Evidence against them, Depositions & Informations considered, also the proofs & allegations offered by the accused in their own defence—

The Committee came to the following Resolutions, viz:

That Peter Peirce, Isaac Rindge, Oliver Whipple, John Peirce, James Sheafe, Hugh Henderson, Robert Robertson, William Hart, William Torry, Stephen Little, Nath[l] Treadwell & John Stavers each with Two Sufficient Sureties give Bond in common form to the government & people of this State in the sum of five Hundred pounds to remain good and peaceable Subjects within this State, & not to say or do anything directly or Indirectly in anywise contrary or in Opposition to the American Cause now contending for, (or in anywise in favor of or assisting to the claims of the King of Great Britain,) or the United States of America for & during ye Term of one year next coming, and further advise that they be very careful & cautious in these times of Jealousy & danger, in giving any Occasion of Mistrust to any person Whatsomever of their dissatisfaction to the common cause.

The Committee likewise recommend that People of every rank and denomination in this State be careful in detecting all persons speaking or conspiring against this or any of the United American States, and cause them to be prosecuted according to the Laws made & published for that purpose.

Also request all Civil Magistrates to use their utmost endeavors to suppress mobs, Riots and Tumultuous assemblies, and if need be to call on the Militia for their Assistance in Stopping all such proceedings.

N. B. the above named Stephen Little is further liberated to

ye County of York, & each of the above have entered into Bond agreeable to ye above resolution.

Feb'y 5th. Made an order for the prison keeper to discharge Rudolph Josias Eltinge from Gaol, he paying s^{d} Charges of imprisonment; said Eltinge having procured Joseph Brown & Jonth Purinton of Kensington, to give Bonds for his remaining a true Prisoner within the Parish of Kensington.

Feb'y 6th, 1777. Appointed Joseph Hilton, of Deerfield, Second Lieu^{t} in Capt Mich^{l} McClary's Company.

Ordered Genl Folsom to deliver Richd Brown (to be transported to N° 4,) 582^{lb} $\frac{3}{4}$ Gunpowder.

ordered the Receiver Genl to pay Richd Brown & Isaac Dow Twenty three pounds to be acc^{t} for by halling Two Tuns of powder and Lead to N° 4.

Sent off to N° 4, to be delivered to the care of Elij^{h} Grout, Esqr, 2018^{lb} of Gunpowder, 1836^{lb} Lead & Balls, & 1000 Flints, by Richd Brown & Isaac Dow.

Feb'y 7th. Settled with Col° Noah Lovewell his Roll of men raised in Col° Nichols' Reg^{t} for New York.

Ordered the R. G. to let Capt Jason Wait have £156 to raise men with, for which he is to acc^{t}.

Feb'y 8th. In Consequence of a Requisition from the Committee of N. York, Stephen Hunt, one of ye Prisoners from that place, is Now liberated on his parole, which is on file—
& his Sureties, viz: N. Weare & J. Purinton are discharged upon his account, vide ye Bond.

an order made to ye Prison keeper to liberate Elisha Rose, a prisoner from N. York, Benj^{a} Barnard of Kensington, having Given bond that ye s^{d} Rose remain a True prisoner in s^{d} Kensington, & as on file.

Rec^{d} Letters from The Captains Thompson & Osborne of ye ship Raleigh, and Sent answers to the Same, as on file.

Rec^{d} a Letter from Genl Scuyler, and answered the same.

R^{d} a Pacquet from Congress; a Letter from Mr Hilligas, Con-

tinental Treasurer, with 263 certificates for 300 dollars each, and put the same into the hands of Col° Nich^s Gilman.

Rec^d a Letter from General Washington by express.

R^d by the Post a Letter from Governor Trumbull.

R^d by Ditto a Letter from General Spencer, and answered it by the post.

Monday, Feb. 10*th*, 1777.

ordered the R. G. to Let Capt Richd Weare have £100 out of the Treasury to Enlist men, for which he is to acc^t.

Sent an order to Major Adams to collect all the Fire Arms he could find that was bro't from the Fort at New Castle in Decem^r 1775, & report to the Comm^e.

Ordered the R. G. to let Capt Benj^a Stone have out of the Treasury Sixty prounds to pay bounty to men he Enlists, for which he is to Acc^t.

Tuesday, Feb'y 11*th.*

Ordered the R. G. to let Noah Emery, Junr Have out of the Treasury £150, to be accounted for as Paymaster to Col° Long's Reg^t.

Lieut. Sam^ll Breeden, of Temple, having wrote to Col° Scammill that he declined to accept of his appoint^t, and Mr. Ezekiel Goodale of said Temple, having been recommended by the Revd Mr Webster, the Selectmen, Committee of Safety and Commission Officers of the said Temple as Suitable for said office, Therefore the Committee appointed said Ezekiel Goodale Second Lieu^t in Capt William Scott's Company in Col° Scammill's Reg^t.

Caleb Stark appointed Adjut^t to Col° Stark's Reg^t. Patrick Cogan appointed Quarter Master to Col° Stark's Reg^t.

Major Snell, one of the Prisoners of Scenectady, in the County of Albany, having given his parole was permitted to return home.

Wednesday, Feb'y 12*th*, 1777.

ordered the Receiver General to let Lieu^t Thomas Bowler of Col° Long's Regiment have out of the Treasury five pounds, & to take his Note on Interest for the same, s^d Bowler and Col° Long for him, having represented that he had not money to bear his Expenses to Ticonderoga.

Ordered Col° Jacob Bayley to deliver Maj^r Jon^th Child the fire arms he has in his hands belonging to the State.

Gave leave to Maj^r Child to Sell any of Said Guns to any Soldier Enlisted in Stark's, Poor's or Scammill's Regiments, at the price they cost with addition of purchasing and transportation.

Rec^d a Petition from Mr Snedeker and others, N. York prisoners, & spent a considerable time in hearing them thereon, but put off the Determination for the present.

Thursday, Feb'y 13th.

Ordered the Receiver Genl to let Mon^sr L. Dominiq^e Eglize have out of the Treasury £15, agreeable to a vote of the Genl Assem^ly.

gave Monsr L. Eglize a pass to go to Canada by Cohas and Missisque Bay.

gave Col° Poor orders to Barrack his Reg^t (until they march) at the house lately Improved by Mr Carlton as a Tavern in Exeter. Mr Gains & Mr Barker, two of the Committee, viewed the afores^d House, & reported that there was 42 Squares of Glass broke, 2 Stairs broke, 6 Doors gone, several others broke, & plaistering broke down in several rooms.

Gave the R. G. an order to pay Monsr Dominique Le Eglize four pounds sixteen Shillings, to pay 8 Weeks board at Exeter, agreeeble to Vote of the General Assembly.

ordered the R. G. to let Capt Mich. McClary, have £100 to recruit men with, for which he is to acc^t.

Capt William Scott of Col° Stark's Regiment, Informed the Committee that Benjamin Snows, who was appointed Ensign of his Company, had declined accepting, and by his recommendation the Committee appointed Francis Chandonnet, a Canadian, Ensign of his said Company.

Friday, Feb'y 14th.

ordered the Receiver General to let Capt Zechariah Beal have out of the Treasury £100 to recruit men with, for which he is to acc^t.

To the Select men & Committee of Safety of the Town of Portsmouth:

Whereas the General Court of the State of Massachusetts Bay has prohibited the Exportation of Rum, Molasses, Sugar, Cotton, Wooll, Sheep's Wooll, Flax, Coffee, Cocoa, Chocolate, Linnen, Cotton & Linnen, Woollen & Cotton Goods of all kinds, Provisions of all and every Sort, Shoes, Hides, Deerskins, Sheep Skins, and Leather of all kinds, as well by Land as Water, from every place in that State to any other State, except such of those things that are purchased at ordinary retail, Either for the Consumption of Individuals or single Families, Which prohibition will be very detrimental to this State, unless a Similar measure is taken and pursued here;

Therfore, as the General Assembly are not Sitting at this time to take the matter under Consideration, The Committee think it Absolutely necessary to desire you, and accordingly do request that you use your utmost Endeavours to prevent any of the before Enumerated Articles from being carried out of the Town of Portsmouth by Land or water to any place not belonging to this State, (except what is purchased by retail as allowed in the State of Massachusetts Bay,) until such time as the General Assembly can have opportunity to take the matter under Consideration; And in particular to cause a careful Search to be made of all Vessels going out of the Harbour, and to prevent their Sailing with any of those Articles on Board, except such Quantities as are necessary for Sea Stores for Each respective Vessel.

David McGregore, Junr of Londonderry, appointed Lieu^{t} of Capt Daniel Livermore's Company.

Ordered the Receiver General to let Capt Daniel Livermore have £200 to recruit men with, for which he is to account.

gave orders to Capt Livermore to recruit a Comp^{y}.

gave orders to Capt William Scott to recruit a Comp^{y} for Col^{o} Stark's Reg^{t}.

ordered Noah Emery Junr to pay Robt Clark £80 to be delivered Capt Tim^{thy} Clements, to pay advance wages to 40 men of his Comp^{y}, to be accounted for by said Clements.

Saturday, Feb. 15th.

ord^{d} the Rec^{r} Genl to let Capt Elip. Giddings have £1000, to be accounted for by him as Muster Master.

ordered Ditto to Let Col° Nath[l] Peabody have £138–7–6 out of the Treasury to provision said Cutts, for which M[r] Cutts is to Acc[t].

Wednesday, Feb'y 19th, 1777.

Cap[t] John Haven made return of his doings in delivering the Prisoners at Newport; papers on file.

ordered the R. G. to pay Cap[t] John Haven £26–19–4, the amount of his Roll of his Company for Escorting prisoners to Newport.

Deacon Barnard, who gave Bond for the good Behavior of one Elisha Rose, a New York prisoner, bro't said Rose before the Committee and desires his Bond Cancelled, which was done, and the Committee took said Rose's verbal parole to remain a true prisoner within 6 miles of the State House in Exeter.

upon a petition from the board of War in the State of y[e] Mass[a] bay —

ordered that Eleazer Russell, Esq[r], maritime officer for the Port of Piscataqua, permit the Ship Bunker hill with her cargo, consisting of mahogany & Fustic, to proceed to sea.

Thursday, Feb'y 20th.

Nicholas Gilman, Jun[r], commissary of Prisoners to Newport, this day returned and settled his Acc[t] of Expen[ss]; his charg[s] amounted to £79–4–2, and he produced a receipt from the Treas[r] for £120–15–10, which accounts for the £200 he receiv[d] out of the Treas[ry].

Gave James McMasters a pass to Fort Western on the Kenebeck River to transact some necessary Business there.

Wrote to Col° Bedel to come Imediately and settle his Acc[ts] with the State.

agreed with Noah Emery, Jun[r], for him to act as Commissary of our Stores at the Northern Army, and to give him Twelve pounds p[r] month wages, and to pay his Necessary Expenses.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Jos. Bass £8, for a month's pay in Col° Long's Regiment.

Ordered the Keeper of the Gaol in Portsmouth to discharge Francis Weeks from Confinement, said Weeks paying all prison

charges, and the Father of said Weeks engaged to bring his Son before the Committee at Exeter.

Ordered the R. G. to let Col° Moses Kelly have out of the Treas^{ry} forty pounds, for which he is to account in Supporting New York prisoners in Amherst Gaol.

Samuel Swett, of Kingstown, appointed Ensign to Capt Jeremiah Gilman's Company.

ordered Capt Eliphalet Giddings to Muster Capt Samuel Blodgett's Company —.

and ordered Capt Abbot not to Muster them.

Col° Tash having paid the R. G. £73–8 Rec^{d} for wages of Capt Robinson's Comp^{y}, gave him a certificate thereof.

ordered the Receiver Genl to let Lieu^{t} Thomas Liford have out of the Treasury £50, which he is to pay on demand.

Friday, Feb'y 21st. ordered the Committee of Dover to Let Col° Scammill have, out of McMaster's Goods in their hands, Such things as he wants for the use of the Army, for which the State is to Acc^{t}.

Directed the Sheriff of County of Hillsborough to Liberate within the Towns of Amherst & Goffstown such of the New York prisoners as can find Sureties in their State. Copy on file.

Gave Leave to Richd Snedeker, Saml Maffitt, Joseph Maffitt, Stephen Thorn, Jonth Thorn, John Cook, Mathias Cook, Timothy Doughty, Solomon Haight, Elisha Rose, Alexander Haire to return home to their families in New York, they having given Bonds, as on file.

Francis Weeks, one of the Prisoners from New York, was liberated; his Father, an Inhabitant in the State of Mass^{ts} Bay, a Man of Estate, Character & Esteemed friend to his Country, having given Bond for his good Behavior, which is on file.

Saturday, Feb'y 22d.

Wrote letters and sent by the Courier to Genl Washington, Governor Trumbull, Committee of New York, Goven^{r} Cook's Council of Mass^{s} Bay; also, wrote to Col° Starke.

Gave papers to Eleven New Yorkers to go to their homes & cease from troubling.

ordered the R. G. to pay John Taylor Gilman £300 to buy clothing, for which he is to Acc^{t}.

Monday, Feb'y 24th.

Being a Stormy day the Committee met late and proceeded to get things in order to send forward to Ticonderoga.

Tuesday, Feb'y 25th.

The following orders were Sent to the Col^{os} Stark, Poor & Scammill, viz :

SIR—this moment the Committee received by Express Two Letters from General Washington, dated the 7th & 8th of this Ins^{t}, Feb^{y}, wherein he orders all the Troops raised in New Hampshire to march forthwith to Ticonderoga, And directs if the Regiments are not full that they be sent forward by Companies with part of the officers, leaving the others to recruit at home and follow after—Which Command the Committee desire you will carry into Execution (as far as relates to your Regiment) as fast as possible.

ordered the Rec^{r} Genl to Let the Select men of Epping have out of the Treas^{ry} 36| for a Gun delv^{d} Cap. Dan. Moore, for the Soldiers in his Comp^{y} in Col^{o} Stark's Reg^{t}.

Trueworthy Gilman this day rendered an Acc^{t} of his Time & Expenses in going Express to No. 4, and paid the Balance of the nine pounds he had advanced into the Treas^{ry}, produced a Receipt therefor.

Wednesday, Feb'y 26th. James Crumby appointed first Lieu^{t} in Capt Blodget's Comp^{y}.

David Forsyth, of Chester, appointed Ensign to Capt Blodget.

Saml Cherry, who was second Lieu^{t} of Capt Carr's Company, appointed first Lieu^{t} of said Company, & Peletiah Whittemore, of New Ipswich, appointed Second Lieu^{t} of Said Comp^{y}.

gave orders to Maj^{r} Abbot, of Wilton, to Muster What men Lieu^{t} Whittemore shall Enlist for Capt Carr's Company.

Isaac Fry appointed a Captain in Col^{o} Scammill's Reg^{t}, in stead of Capt Scott, who declines.

Thursday, Feb'y 27th.

ordered the Sheriff of the County of Rockingham to open Stores & Take a Quantity of Rum for Supply of the Army &c, as on file.

appointed Moses Emerson & Saml Hobart, Esqrs, to appraise Rum taken as aforesd.

Colo Josiah Bartlet Settled his Muster Roll & pay Roll of the men he raised for Colo David Gilman's Regt, and Accounted for £180 drawn out of the Treasury for that purpose.

Friday, Feb'y 28th.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Edd Dumpney £4–5 for Boarding one John Sylvester, a poor Stranger, by order of the Committee.

permitted the Sheriff of the County of Rockingham to Liberate from confinement all or any of the prisoners from New York who could find Suffit Sureties in £500 to remain true prisoners at Portsmouth until properly discharged, and not say or do anything against the American cause.

ordered the R. G. to Let Ebenezer Colcord have 75 Dollars, to be Acct for by halling a Load of Stores to Ticonderoga.

Load weigd 27ct. 2q. 12lb.

agreed with all the Teams to pay 116 Dollrs pr Tun Weigt for halling to Ticonderoga.

Settled with Noah Emery, Junr, paymaster to Colo Long's Regiment, and he accounted for £1890 drawn out of the Treasy by him for that purpose.

John Taylor Gilman having packed up and Delivered the Cloathing purchased by Genl Folsom and himself, presented an Invoice and Settled the Acct, and Accounted for £1331 drawn out of the Treasry by Genl Folsom and himself for that purpose, except £153–10–8, which he is to acct for hereafter.

ordered the R. G. to let Noah Emery, Junr, have £30 out of the Treasry, for which he is to Acct.

Saturday, March 1st, 1777.

Ordered the R. G. to let Capt Eliphalet Giddings have out of the Treasury Two Thousands pounds to pay Bounties to men he passes Muster, for which he is to be acctble.

appointed Nathl McCauley who was 2^{d} Lieu^{t}, to be first Lieu^{t} of Morrill's Company. Bargillia Howe (who was Ensign) to be Second Lieu^{t}, and David Mudget, of Gilmanton, Ensign.

ordered the R. G. to Let Capt Benjamin Stone have out of the Treasury Ninety pounds to pay Continental Bountys, for which he is to Acc^{t}.

agreed with Mr William Ball to give him 20| p^{r} month as an assistant to commissary Emery, above his wages as a soldier.

Monday, March 3d.

permitted William Tremneliff to go to Amherst for 10 days, on his parole, to see his friends there.

ordered the R. G. to let Capt Richard Weare have one hundred pounds to enlist Soldiers.

Ordered the Rec^{r} Genl to Let Capt Amos Emerson have £100 to pay Continental Bounties to men he Enlists, for which he is to be accountable.

Tuesday, March 4th.

Gave Capt Isaac Frye orders to raise a Company in Col^{o} Scammill's Reg^{t}.

ordered the Rec^{r} Genl to let Capt Isaac Frye have out of the Treas^{ry} £300 to pay Continental Bounty to men he Enlists, for which he is to account.

ordered the Receiver General to let Joseph Smith, John Hill, Isaac Webster, Ezekiel Gile and Jacob Heath, each of them Sixty Dollars, in the whole being Three Hundred Dollars, for which they are Separately to be accountable for his own Sum in Halling Stores to Ticonderoga.

Loaded five Teams this day for Ticonderoga, which makes up 20 Teams loaded since Friday last.

this day ordered the Sheriff of the County of Rock^{m} to open Stores and take 16 Hogsheads of Rum for the Army, unless it was Imediately Supplied without.

ordered the R. G. to pay Isaac Webster 13–4 for Expence of waiting at Exeter for his Load.

ordered the R. G. to pay Jos^{h} Smith, Ezekiel Gile and Jacob Heath £2–12–0 for his Expence waiting at Exeter for their Loads.

Wednesday, March 5th, 1777.

Ordered the R. G. to let William Bell have out of the Treas^{ry} £216, to be by him carried to Capt John House for the purpose of pay^{g} Bounties to Soldiers he Enlists.

Ordered R. G. to let Lieu^{t} Hale have 190 Dollars, and Samuel Noyes & Reuben Harriman each 60 Dollars, to be Accounted for by hauling Stores to Ticonderoga.

Loaded off four Teams this day.

ordered the R. G. to let Willm Bell have five dollars to pay his Expenses in coming from Hanover after Money for Capt House.

Thursday, March 6th. Ordered Maj^{r} Jonathan Child to Muster what men Lieu^{t} Thomas Simpson Should present to him as Enlisted in Capt R^{d} Weare's Comp^{y}, following the same directions as given respecting Capt House.

ordered the R. G. to pay the Roll of Capt Elip^{t} Daniels for his Comp^{y} to the first of March, amounting to £299–0–2.

ordered the R. G. to pay Noah Emery, Junr, the amount of his Acc^{t}, being £26–10–1 for Sundrys by him provided for Ticonderoga, & paid three of Col^{o} Long's Men.

ordered the R. G. to pay Clement Daniel £30 for apprehending Capt Shepard, & £5–2 for Necessary Expenses.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Jno Ingals, Saml Webster, Joseph Webster, & John Dusten each Sixty Dollars, to be accounted for by them seperately, Each for his own Sum, in hauling Stores to Ticonderoga. Also to pay Jno Ingals, Saml Webster and John Dusten eight Dollars each, and Joseph Webster Ten Dollars and one half, for hauling loads from Portsmouth and for waiting for their Loads, &c.

Each of the above persons took Loads for Ticonderoga.

ordered the R. G. to Let Col^{o} Peabody have out of the Treas^{ry} £34–10 in consequence of an order drawn in his favor by Saml Cutts, Esqr, to be accounted for by said Cutts.

ordered the R. G. to pay Maj^{r} Gains one pound Eleven Shillings for several Expresses, and for fire wood for the Genl Assembly, as p^{r} his Acc^{t} on file.

David Gilman, of Raymond, appointed 2^{d} Lieu^{t} in Capt Blodget's Comp^{y}.

John Dennet appointed 2d Lieut in Capt Beal's Company.

March 7th. David Gilman above named, at Colo Poor's desire, is removed to Capt Hayes' Company, and Noah Robinson, who was Ensign of Capt Titcomb's Compy, is removed and appointed 2d Lieut in Capt Blodget's Company.

Jeremiah Fogg appointed paymaster to Colo Poor's Regiment.

Oliver Whipple having petitioned the Committee, is Liberated to go into any part of the State of Massachusetts Bay, his Bond Notwithstanding.

ordered the Recr Genl to pay Major Winborn Adams 24| for so much advanced by him at Boston to advertize Capt Shepard.

ordered the R. G. to pay Willm Mead £3–4, for ten Barrells & Setting some Hogshead Hoops.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Mr Thomas Odiorne Ten pounds four Shillings for four Reams of Paper for Ticonderoga, & one for the State.

ordered the R. G. to Charge the State with his Acct for hauling Stores from Portsmouth and Empty Cask, amounting to Six pounds Seven Shillings & nine pence.

Ordered the R. Genl to pay Colo Daniel Gilman Three pounds three Shillings, for Hauling Stores from Portsmouth.

This day Settled with Colo Scammill and ordered the Recr Genl to pay him Sixteen Hundred & Seventy Eight pounds, the Balance of the whole Continental Bounty to raise his Regiment.

Colo Scammill having given his Rect for £400 drawn by Capt Weare, £400 by Capt Beal, £300 by Capt McClary, £350 by Capt Stone, £200 by Capt Gray, £300 by Capt Griggs, £200 by Capt Livermore, £300 by Capt Frye, making in the whole £2450; and sd Captains are to Acct with him therefor—his whole Receipt being for 13,760 Dollars.

Ordered the R. G. to Let Colo Alexander Scammill have One Hundred and Twenty pounds, for which sd Scammill is to be accountable.

ordered the R. G. to let Majr Gains have three hundred pounds towds paying for Stores Sent to Ticonderoga, he to be accountable.

Tuesday, March 11th, 1777.

David Gilman, who was appointed 2nd Lieut in Capt Hayes' Company, removed to be 2d Lieut in Capt Jno Drew's Company, and Joseph Potter, who was Ensign to Capt Hayes' Company, appointed 2d Lieut.

William Taggart appointed Ensign to Capt Hayes' Company.

Ebenr Light, who was Ensign of Capt Robinson's Company, appointed 2d Lieut of Capt Bell's Compy.

Jonth Cass appointed Ensign to Capt Robinson's Compy.

Ordered the R. G. to Let Dr William Parker have out of the Treasury £40, to Buy Medicine for Colo Poor's Regt, for which he is to be accountable.

Ordered the Committee for Buying Salt Petre, to Deliver what Salt Petre they receive to Colo Hobart to Manufacture in Gun Powder.

Jonathn Cass, who was appointed Ensign in Capt Robinson's Company, now removed to be Ensign in Capt Gray's Compy in Colo Scammill's Regt.

Wednesday, March 12th.

Settled with Colo Enoch Poor this day and ordered the R. G. to Let him have Three Hundred and Fifty Two pounds, to Compleat paying the Continental Bounty to his Regt; and he also Accounted for £860–2d by his officers, & £516 drawn by Capt Robinson of G. Sullivan, Which officers are to account with him; he gave his Rt for

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Ordered the Receiver General to pay Nichs Nichols, Fifteen Shillings for his time and Horses in removing Sundry Stores, &c., bound for Ticonderoga.

The Committee delivered the Several Teamsters, as pr Agreement, Twenty Gallons, 2 quarts, 1 pint & a half pint of Rum, an Acct of which is on file, and they are severally to Acct for what each Rd out of the Sum they were to have for Halling, after drawing which and fitting up the Other Casks sent forward, there remained in a Hogshead in Colo Gilman's Store, 61 Gallons,

which the Committee delivered to Col° Gilman, And took his Receipt to Acc^t therefor, & charge himself in his Acc^t at the Same Rate as it Cost the State.

Ordered the Receiver Genl to let Col. Nathaniel Peabody have 10| to pay for his Expences at Portsmouth procuring Stores for Ticonderoga.

Capt Henry Dearborn bro't and Delivered Col° Weare 1720 Dollars from Genl Sullivan, drawn out of the Continental Chest for one of the New Hamp. Recruiting Captains, And was Delivered by Col° Weare to the Receiver General.

Tuesday, April 15th, 1777.

The following persons being appointed a Committee of Safety in recess of the Genl Court, viz: Mesheck Weare, Josiah Bartlet, Nich^s Gilman, Ebenezer Thompson, John Dudley, Josiah Moulton, Nathl Peabody, Thomas Odiorne, George Gains, John McClary, John Smith, & Eben^r Potter.

a Quorum met this day and made out a number of Warrants to apprehend persons Suspected of counterfeiting the paper Money, and Employed persons to serve the Same.

Ordered the R. G. to let Col^o Otis Baker have one hundred pounds to pay Travel money to Soldiers he musters, for Which he is to Acc^t.

Voted, That John Dudley & Nathaniel Peabody, Esq^rs be & hereby are appointed to go to Concord in the State of the Mass^tts Bay, and attend the Superior Court of Judicature setting there; And if they Shall find any persons there belonging to this State, whom they Suspect to have been Concerned in Counterfeiting or uttering Counterfeited Bills of Credit of this State, or of the United States, or any one of them, that they endeavour to procure the aid of some Magistrate in that State to Issue a Process Sufficient to bring any such Person or Persons to the Line of this State, where they are to take care to see him or them properly Secured.

Ordered the R. G. to Let Mr George Peirce have £30 toward his trouble in Endeavouring to detect persons concerned in counterfeiting money, & to enable him to pursue his Discoveries.

Wednesday, April 16th, 1777.

Ordered the R. G. to let Col° Joseph Cilley have £162 out of

the Treasury to pay Continental Bounty to Soldiers that Enlist in his Reg^{t}, for which he is to Acc^{t}.

Thursday, April 17th, 1777.

Ordered the R. G. to Let Robt Wilson, Esqr, have Twelve Shillings in full of his Acc^{t} for going Express to Col^{o} Stark at Derryfield.

This day as well as most of the 2 preceeding, spent in making out Warrants and Examining affairs relative to Persons Accused of Counterfeiting Money.

Friday, April 18th, 1777. Gave permits to William Ramsey & James Ramsey of Londonderry, & Henry Moore of Chester, to go to Connecticut to buy Flax.

Wrote to Mr Sparhawk to Muster Such Soldiers in Capt Blodget's Comp^{y} as shall be offered by Lt Crombie of Rindge, and also if he has Mustered any men in Capt Cloyse's Comp^{y} to transmit their names to Capt Abiel Abbot of Wilton, & not to pass any of s^{d} Comp^{y} in future.

Wrote to Capt Abiel Abbot to muster the Comp^{y} of Capt Cloyse of Fitzwilliam.

ordered the R. G. to let Mr Edward Jewet have £1500 in Notes & £50 in Bills, to be delivered by him to Major Abiel Abbot.

ordered the Receiver General to Let Saml Cutts, Esqr, have out of the Treas^{y} Three hundred & forty Seven pounds two Shillings & three pence, to be Accounted for by him as Commissary, being the sum he has advanced to Supply to this time accor^{d} to his Acc^{t} shown.

Ordered the Receiver General to pay the Roll of Capt Titus Salter for the Month of March, amounting to one Hundred & fifty six pounds Ten Shillings & Eleven pence.

Gave the Maritime officer for the Port of Piscataqua leave to permit Capt Thomas Munroe to export from Portsmouth to Boston ½ the Cargo of Salt bro't into the port by the schooner Relief, Benj. Perkins, Master.

gave the Maritime officer leave to permit the Brigantine Three friends, belonging to Jacob Sheafe, Junr, to Sail for the West In-

dies, he giving Bond to the Speaker to give the refuse of the Cargo to the States.

Saturday, April 19th, 1777.

William Rowell who was Lieu^{t} of Capt James Norris's Comp^{y}, appointed Captain of the Company lately commanded by Capt Benj. Titcomb, who is advanced.

John Colcord, who was s^{d} Lieu^{t} of Capt Norris's Comp^{y}, appointed first L^{t} in Room of Lt Rowell, advanced.

Peletiah Warren, of Berwick, appointed Surgeon's Mate to Col^{o} Hale's Regiment.

Monday, April 21st, 1777.

ordered the Receiver General to Let Maj^{r} William White have out of the Treasury Two Thousand pounds in Notes to pay Bounties to men he Musters, & fifty pounds to pay Travel money to Said men.

ordered the R. G. to let Capt William Hutchins have out of the Treasury One hundred and fifty pounds to pay Bounties to men he Enlists, for which he is to Acc^{t}.

Tuesday, April 22d, 1777.

gave papers to John Bartlet, of Epping, Levi Chapman, of New Market, & David Jewet, of Exeter, to go to Fishkill in the State of New York, to Drive Continental Teams.

ordered the R. G. to Let Capt Eliphalet Giddings have Two Thousand Pounds in Notes to pay Bounties, for which he is to Acc^{t}.

ordered Mr John B. Hanson to Let Joseph Leigh have 40 Barrels of the State's Beef, in his hands.

ordered Mr John B. Hanson to deliver Theophilus Dame, Esqr, as much Beef as he shall desire for the use of the New York. Prisoners confined in Dover Gaol.

Ordered the Rec^{r} General to let Theoph^{s} Dame, Esqr, have out of the Treasury Sixty Pounds to Buy Provisions for the N. York Prisoners in Dover Goal, for which he is to Account.

ordered the R. G. to pay Capt Benjamin Sias one Hundred & Twenty three pounds Six Shillings, the Amount of the wages due from this State to his Comp^{y} for their Service in Col^{o} D. Gilman's Reg^{t} at N. York,

Wednesday, April 23d. Ordered the R. G. to let Col° Scammill have £100 to buy Medicines, for which he is to be Acc^{tble}.

Monday, April 28th, 1777.

Ordered Maj^{r} Abbot, of Wilton, to Muster any men belonging to Hollis who are or shall Enlist in Capt John House's or Capt Michael McClary's Companys, & to Transmit the names of those he musters to the Muster Master of those Companys.

Ordered the Receiver General to pay Capt Noah Worster, of Hollis, £10, to be by him accounted for.

April 29.

ordered the R. General to let Col° Winborn Adams have Sixty pounds out of the Treasury, which Sum said Adams is to return on Demand.

ordered the R. G. to let Mr. Thomas Odiorne have out of the Treasury one Hundred Pounds to buy Belts for the Soldiers, for which he is to be accountable.

Ordered the R. G. to Let Col° Alexander Scammill have out of the Treasury one Hundred & Twenty Pounds to purchase Medicines for his Reg^{t}, for which he is to be Accountable.

Ordered the Receiver General to let Col° Joseph Cilley have Sixty Pounds to pay Bounties to men that he Enlists in his Regim^{t}, for which he is to be Accountable.

Ordered the Receiver Genl to let John Griffin have £3–17–6 to discharge his Acc^{t} for tak^{g} & committing Maj^{r} Richardson.

Ordered the R. G. to let Capt Jeremiah Eames have one Hundred & Ninety Seven pounds 12|8, in full for his Roll & Company to this day & Supplies.

Wednesday, April 30th, 1777.

Luke Woodbury, of Salem, appointed Ensign of Capt Caleb Robinson's Comp^{y}.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Col° Poor's Acc^{t} for Sundry Sums prd for publick Service, £8–6–10.

Ordered the Rec^{r} General to Pay the Roll of Capt Daniel Gordon in Col° David Gilman's Reg^{t}, amounting to £175–8–8.

Ordered the R. General to pay the following Sums to the fol-

lowing Persons, being Balances due to them as p^{r} agreement for Halling Stores to Otter Creek & other places this Side of that, viz :—To Ezekiel Gile £13–7–7.

Joseph Smith, £12–18–9.
John Jenness, £33–12–6.
John Hill, £8–11.
Eben Colcord, £24–19–6.
Benj^{a} Clough, Junr, & Timothy Bartlet, £52–3.
John Philbrick, £28–14–6.
Dudley Thing, £31–5.
Joseph Wadley, £17–7–10.

Thursday, May 1st.

Whereas it has been represented that many Towns in this State, Notwithstanding their unwearied endeavours and offers of large Bounties, have not yet been able to procure their full Quotas of Men for the Continental Service; Therefore at this critical Season, to the End that the Men to complete the Battallion may immediately March, The Committee are of opinion that such delinquent Town may fill up their number at present with Men enlisted for eight Months or a year as they see fit, Provided they will be careful to provide others to take their Places when the times are out of those they now Send. No Continental or State Bounty can be advanced to any but such as enlist for the War or three years, as the Votes of Congress and the General Court of this State forbid it. The Travel money will be paid when they pass Muster.

ordered the R. G. to pay Capt Josiah Gilman £17–11, in full of his Acc^{t} ag^{t} the State.

Friday, May 2d, 1777. Ordered the R. G. to pay Col^{o} Saml Folsom nineteen pounds Eleven Shillings, for himself & 5 others apprehending Money makers.

Saturday, May 3d. Expresses arrived last evening from Sundry Quarters. Wrote letters to Boston, to the Militia Officers in the County of Cheshire, &c.

Ordered the R. G. to let Nich. Nichols have £4–10, to bear his Expenses going to N° 4, to be Acc^{td} for.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Col° Scammell £5–10| for transporting Belts, Shoes, &c, to N° 4.

Monday, May 5. Examined Sundry evidences about Col° Holland's Escape out of Gaol.

May 6th.

Appointed Nathaniel Leavitt, of Hampton, Ensign in Capt Weare's Company.

Wrote to Deacon Knowles that an Ensign might be appointed in Rochester for Capt Rowell's Comp^y.

Wrote to Col° Moulton to keep a Guard at the Boar's head, of two persons Constantly night & day.

Wednesday, May 7th, 1777.

William Ellis, of Keene, appointed Capt of a Company in Col° Scammill's Reg^t, in the Room of Capt John Griggs, who has resigned.

ordered the R. G. to pay Maj^r Saml Philbrick Eleven pounds eighteen Shillings & Six pence, the Balance of his Acc^t for transporting Arms to No. 4.

ordered the R. G. to pay Capt William Ellis five Dollars, for paying an Express from Keene to Newport to Esqr Giles.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Joseph Leigh £25, to be Accounted for by him as Commissary.

Thomas Hardy, of Pelham, appointed Lieu^t in Capt Bell's Company, in the Room of Lieu^t Jethro Herd, who resigned.

ordered the R. G. to pay Jn° Carty, Ab^m Sheriff & Danl Taylor 36| for Transporting one Tun lead & ½ Tun powd^r from Portsm° to Exeter, to go to N° 4.

ordered the R. G. to pay George Gains in behalf of Jon^a Mitchel Sewell, £18 for his fees in Libelling & prosecuting the Ship Prince George & Bocacheco, & Masts, &c.

ordered the R. G. to pay the Roll of Capt Joshua Hayward in Col° Gilman's Reg^t, amounting to £156–4, and his acc^t amounting to 5–12–8.

	156–4–0
	5–12–8
	161–16–8

Thursday, May 8th, 1777.

Ordered the R. G. to let Capt Eliphalet Giddings have £1000, to be accounted for as Muster Master.

Ordered Genl Folsom to let Capt James Guppy, in behalf of the Select men of Dover, have one Tun of Gun Powder.

ordered the R. G. to pay Eben^{r} Green, Esqr, Eight hundred pounds, which is for Maj^{r} Jon^{a} Child to pay the State bounty to Soldiers, to be accounted for.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Saml Tufts £28–5–6, which is Due to the Town of Newbury Port for fixing two cannon, Shott, &c.

Ordered the R. G. to pay off Capt Eliph^{t} Daniel's Roll, amounting to £153–18–4.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Capt Fred Bell two pounds & ten pence for his & Wm Elliots expences in going to Londonderry after Col^{o} Holland.

ordered the R. G. to pay Edward Demprey 13–16 for Boarding Patrick McDonald 23 weeks to the 5th of May, 1777.

Ordered the Receiver Genl to pay Daniel Fowle £24, in full of his Acc^{t} for printing for the State.

ordered the R. G. to pay Col^{o} Saml Folsom four pounds five Shillings for Assistant's Expences, &^{c}, after Col^{o} Holland.

Fryday, May 9th.

Ordered the Receiver Genl to pay Caleb Smith £50–3–4 for hauling one load of Stores to Otter Creek, & one load to N° 4.

Considered of a petition from Portsmouth concerning Tories.

Notified Sund^{y} Evidences against Theophilus Smith & Joseph Stacey about Col^{o} Holland's escape out of Goal.

The Evidences appeared before the Com^{tee} with Capt Smith & Jos. Stacey and they were examined concerning the Matter, but nothing Sufficient to confine them appearing, they were discharged for the present upon Smith's taking the Oath.

May 10th.

Sent off Capt Blodget to apprehend & bring before the Committee Nathaniel Rogers & Doct^{r} Masters of Newmarket.

Sent a Warrant to apprehend Joseph Stacey & commit him.

Ordered the R. Genl to pay Capt Nathl Giddings fifteen pounds to pay for hauling one Tun of Powder & Lead to N° 4.

Ordered the R. Genl to pay Jn° Ward Gilman £16–16, for marking & numbering 2016 french Guns, by Genl Poor's order, at 2^{d} each.

ordered D° to let George Gains, Esqr, have £600 to pay for Stores Sent to Ticonderoga, for which he is to Acc^{t}.

Monday, May 12.

Ordered Jn° Taylor Gilman to deliver Jn° Spring, a Soldier in Capt Caleb Robinson's Comp^{y}, a Gun.

Ordered Genl Folsom to deliver the Select Men of Hampton two Barrels of Gunpowder, & to the Select men of Northampton one Barrel, they to be account^{ble} therefor.

Rec^{d} a petition preferred by the Select men & Committee of Hampton, Greenland, &^{c}, &^{c}, to raise a Regiment to be Stationed on the Sea Coast.

A Letter from Genl Washington by Express urging the forwarding Troops to Ticonderoga, &^{c}, rec^{d} this day.

May 13*th*. Gave Lieut. Huntoon an order on M^{r} Jn° T. Gilman for a Gun for Willm Moore, a Soldier in Capt Caleb Robinson's Comp^{y}.

Tuesday, May 13*th*, 1777.

William Vance, of Londonderry, being bro't before the Committee charged with aiding Col° Holland in his escape, not giving a satisfactory acc^{t}, was committed to prison.

One Charles Cowell, of Peterboro', bro't before the Com^{tee} charged with being concerned in Counterfeiting Money, was admitted to be a Witness & recognized to appear at Court, &^{c}.

Ordered the R. Genl to let Col° John Hale have £50, to be accounted for.

Ordered the R. General to let Mr Robert Smith, of Londonderry, have £5, to be accounted for.

May 14.

Ordered the Receiver Genl to pay the Roll of Capt Titus Salter, amounting to £183–9–4.

Gave orders to Mr Odiorne & desired him to proceed to Newbury to purchase Guns, Lead & Flints.

Ordered Gen[l] Folsom to deliver the Selectmen of Candia, Raymond & Poplin one Tun of Gun powder.

Candia	Receiv[d]	lb675–¾
Raymond	"	lb568–½
Poplin	"	lb567–¾

Col° John Hale, of Hollis, appointed Surgeon of Coll. Cilley's Regiment.

Jonathan Poole, of Hollis, appointed Surgeon's Mate in Coll. Cilley's Regiment.

agreed to raise 3 Companys, to consist of 80 men each, officers Included, for one month, to guard the Sea Coast of this State. A Copy of the Orders to Gen[l] Folsom is on file.

ordered the R. G. to Let Col° Jn° Hale have £50, to be accounted for.

Thursday, May 15th.

ordered the R. G. to pay Noah Robinson 12| for his Expences to Portsmouth on Public Business.

Ordered Gen[l] Folsom to Let the Select Men of Londonderry have 1000lb Gunpowder to carry to said Town for safe keeping, to be returned when ordered by proper authority.

Wrote to Maj[r] Gains to procure Materials to Lay Platforms at Fort Washington; also to deliver the Select men of Greenland one Barrel of Gunpowder.

Ordered the R. G. to pay L[t] Nathan Smith for apprehending Money Makers, £8–14–10.

To Cap[t] Noah Worster, to be Accounted for, £15.

ordered the R. G. to Let Col° Moses Kelly have £50 to support Prisoners, to be accounted for.

ordered Simeon Ladd, Gaol keeper, to give Jn° Powell the Liberty of the yard.

May 16. ordered Simeon Ladd to bring William Vance before the Committee for further Examination.

gave order for a Gun to be delivered Enoch Thomas, of Cap[t] Gray's Company.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Wm Fay, Junr, £3, for his Time & Expence from Woburn as an Evidence against Wm Vance.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Lt Robert Smith £6, in full for his Account for time & Expence after Holland & Vance.

Moses Belding, of Swansey, appointed Lieu^{t} in Capt Ellis's Company in Col^{o} Scammill's Reg^{t}, in the Room of Lieu^{t} Wright, who resigned.

Ordered General Folsom to let the Select Men of Brentwood have half Tonn of Gunpowder to Carry to Said Parish for safe Keeping, to be returned when ordered by proper Authority.

Ordered General Folsom to let the Select Men of Kingston have half Tonn of Gunpowder to Carry to Said Parish for safe Keeping, to be returned when ordered by proper Authority.

Saturday, May 17th.

Ordered the R. Genl to pay Jno Smith fourteen pounds one Shilling & Six pence, to satisfy his Acc^{t} for Signing, &^{c}, money & Notes, &^{c}.

Gave a permit for the Privateer McClary to Sail on a cruise against the Enemy.

Monday, May 19th, 1777.

Desired Capt Giddings to muster and pay Pearson Huntriess, a Soldier belonging to Capt Drew's Company, & Return his name to Col^{o} Baker.

ordered Genl Folsom to Deliver the Selectmen of Epping ½ Tun powd^{r} for safe keeping, to be returned when called for.

Resolved that it is the opinion of this Committee that no Soldier nor Seaman be permitted to Enter on board any Vessel of war belonging to any other State untill our own Quota of men in the Continental armey is compleated, and the Raleigh and other Vessels of war belonging to this State is fully manned; and the Select Men & Committee of Safety of the Town of Portsmouth, and the Commander of the Raleigh and Captains of the forts are desired to See this Resolve carry^{d} into Execution.

Ordered Genl Nathl Folsom to Deliver Col^{o} Nathl Peabody 10 hundred of Gun Powder to carry into the Country for safe keeping till called for by the authority of this State. Also 209^{lb}

¾ Gun Powder for so much Salt Petre deliv^{d} the State, he pay^{g} s^{d} Folsom 8^{d} p^{r} lb. Also, to deliver 60lb G. Powder, taking 5| p^{r} pound therefor.

said Peabody had 11lb powd^{r} more at 5| which he p^{d} for.

Tuesday, May 20th. Gave Liberty for Col° Langdon to Send a Flag of Truce to Halifax.

also permitted Ewd^{d} Parry and Jos. Stacey Hastings & families & Baggage to go in said Flag.

Permitted Saml Hill to send five bb^{s} powd^{r} to Boston for the use of a Privateer.

Gave orders to Jn° Burnham Hanson to Deliver a Quantity of the State's provisions to Col° Supply Clapp as agent Victualler.

Gave orders to the Committee of the Town of Mason to take an Inventory of the Estate of Saml Tarbal, & to see that none of it is Carried away, neither Cattle nor Horses.

Gave Lemuel Doe a permit to carry to Damascotta, Bristol, &c., one hundred bushels corn & a few Sheep.

Ordered the R. G. to let Maj^{r} Eben^{r} Tibbets have one hundred & fifty pounds to pay Continental bounty to 25 men enlisted in the Town of Rochester, for which he is to be accountable.

ordered the Receiver Genl to Let Maj^{r} William White have one Thousand pounds L. M. to pay State bounty to the Soldiers he is ordered to Muster for the Continental Army—£1000.

Wednesday, May 21st.

ordered the Rec^{r} G. to pay Eben^{r} Thompson 10| for his Expences, for horse hire, & Col° Bartlet's Expences to Hawke, Examining Paul Hale.

Ordered the Rec^{r} Genl to pay Col° Nathl Peabody £15–17–9½, the Amount of his Acc^{t} for publick Service.

ordered D° to pay John Dudley, Esqr, for D° £2–19.

Ordered D° to Charge the State the Sum of £3–7–7½, for a Journey to Boston on public Business.

Ordered the R. G. to pay the Roll of Capt Joseph Parsons for his Company in Col° David Gilman's Reg^{t}, £130–3–4.

one John Hickey, for violent Speeches ag^{t} the American States bro't from Londonderry & Committed.

Thursday, *May* 22. Ordered the Rec^{r} Genl to pay Robert Thompson Cons^{tble} of Londonderry 36| for bringing John Hickey to Prison.

ordered the R. G. to pay Isaac Webster five Pounds four Shillings, the Balance of his Acc^{t} for Halling Stores to Otter Creek.

Gave John Man a Permit to go home to the State of New York to appear before the Board of Commissioners, &^{c}, there.

Friday, *May* 23*d*, 1777. ordered the R. G. to Let Thomas Odiorne have £48, to pay for Belts, to be accounted for by him.

Ordered R. G. to pay Benj^{a} Judkins £26–4–3, for halling Stores to N° 4 & Otter Creek.

Ordered R. G. to pay Thos. Gilman his pay Roll for guarding Gaol one month, amounting to £20–2–4.

Saturday, *May* 24*th*. Ordered Col. Hobart to Let the Select men of Amherst have 1000lbs weight of Powder on Acc^{t} of the State, &^{c}.

Ordered R. G. to pay Dr. Parker 7–4–2, for expences procuring medicines & paying Doct^{r} Jo. Tilton's Bill for Sago, Scales, Weights, &^{c}.

Directions given General Folsom to repair to Portsmouth & regulate the Troops.

Tuesday, *May* 27*th*.

Ordered the Receiver General to pay Nicholas Nichols £25, to be by him accounted for.

Ordered the Receiver General to pay Lt Joseph Huntoon £30, to enable him to pay Bounties to Soldiers, he to account for the money.

Ordered the R. G. to pay four Soldiers as a guard to the Waggon with medicines, six pounds thirteen Shillings & four pence, extra milage.

Wednesday, *May* 28.

Ordered Capt Giddings to muster a Soldier belonging to Capt Drew's Company, & return his name to Col° Baker.

Ordered the R. Genl to pay Ichabod Davis Six Shillings, for making 2 Brass Keys for the Medicine Chests.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Robt Light £1–10^{s}–6^{d}, for wood and Candles for the Guard at the Gaol.

Ordered Col^{o} Moulton to dismiss the Guard of four men placed at the Boar's head.

Sent to Gaol Alexander Boyd, one of the New York Prisoners.

Sent an Ord^{r} to Danl Hoit to appear before the Committee on Fryday next, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

Sent to Stratham for Wm Potter to be bro^{t} before the Committee this Day, but he was gone off.

Wrote to Enoch Coffin, Esqr, to Send off his Negro, who was Enlisted into the Continental Army.

Thursday, May 29. Ordered the R. G. to pay Capt Nathl Giddings £50–5, to Ballance his acc^{t} for Transporting one Tun powd^{r} & lead to N° 4.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Doc^{t} Bracket £179–11–8, for Medicines for the Army at Ticonderoga, p^{r} Doct^{s} Parker & Hale.

Ordered the R. G. to Let Joseph Huntoon have £30, to pay Bounties to Continental Soldiers, for which he is to be Accountable.

Ordered D^{o} to pay Nathl Gordon Five Pounds, for halling powd^{r} & lead to Litchfield.

Ordered D^{o} to pay Capt Elip^{t} Giddings £600, for to pay men he Musters, for which he is to Acc^{t}.

Friday, May 30*th*, 1777. Daniel Hoit before the Committee under Examination for Toryism.

Joshua Merrow, of Rochester, appointed Ensign to Capt Rowell's Company.

Saturday, May 31*st*, 1777. Ordered the R. G. to pay Mr Thomas Odiorne Nine pounds Two Shillings & Three pence, the Balance of his Acc^{ts} to this day.

Ordered D^{o} to pay John Hopkinson £9–6–9, for a p^{r} of Waggon Wheels, &^{c}.

June 20*th*, 1777.

The following Persons lately appointed a Committee of Safety, viz: Mesheck Weare, Josiah Bartlet, Nicholas Gilman, Ebenezer Thompson, John Dudley, Josiah Moulton, John McClary, Nathl

Peabody, Jonathan Lovewell, Benjamin Giles, John Wentworth, Jr., Thomas Odiorne, George Gains.

A Quorum met, and Advised Col° Weare, as Chief Justice of the Superior Court, to Liberate John Moore from confinement on his Recognizing with 2 Sufficient Sureties to appear at the Sepr Court, &°, & paying prison Charges.

June 27th.

The Committee appointed Nich^s Gilman & Nathl Peabody, Esq^rs, to join Genl Prescott in Exam^g a person Confined in the Massachusetts Bay, and admit said person to be a State Evidence, as they see fit.

June 30th, 1777. A Quorum of the Committee met & had under Consideration Several Matters referred from the County of Cheshire concerning Persons there Inimical to the Common Cause.

July 2d. Gave John Taylor an order to deliver Guns to Saml Thing Gilman & Josiah Barker, Junr, Two Soldiers in Capt Robinson's Company.

Settled the Staff Roll of Maj^r Timothy Ellis, of the Militia of Col° Ashley's Regim^t, who went to Ticonderoga this Spring, amounting to £60–12–1, and ordered the Receiver General to pay the same.

Allowed the Acc^t of Thomas Gilman for the Guard set at the Prison at Exeter from the 24th day of May to the 25th of June, 1777, Inclusive, amounting to £20–18–0, and ordered the R. G. to pay the same.

Gave orders to John Taylor Gilman to deliver Guns to Bradbury Sinkler, Joshua Sinkler, Saml Sinkler, & Jonathan Judkins, and Jonathan Perkins, Soldiers in Capt Morrill's Company.

Gave Mr Thomas Odiorne an order to deliver Henry Van Ranseleur, Esqr, the 25 Hogsheads of Rum that was stopped by an order of the General Assembly.

ordered the R. G. to pay the Account of Dr John Crane for medicines Supplyed Col° Bedel's Reg^t, amounting to £65–5–1, and £5–15 Interest for Said Sum—71–0–1.

Gave Nathl Rogers a parole of 8 days to tarry on his own farm, then to return to prison.

July 2d. Gave an order to Dispose of Sundry Persons against whom Depositions, &c, were transmitted from the County of Cheshire.—Copy on file.

Nathaniel Gilman, of New Market, appointed first Lieut in Capt Beal's Company, in the Room of Robert Pike, who has resigned.

Thursday, July 3d. Gave the Prison keeper at Exeter orders to detain in Custody Daniel Spinney, a Soldier who deserted, &c.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Joseph Stacey £6–14–6, for boarding John Powell in prison.

Ordered the R. G. to Let Lieut Joseph Huntoon have out of the Treasry £100, to pay Continental Bounty to men he enlists, for which Sum he is to be accounble.

Let the Select men of Canterbury have 100 Flints & 20lb of Lead.

gave a permit for the Schooner Mary, James Arnold, Master, to sail for the West Indies.

James Nichols, of Brentwood, appointed 2d Lieut in Capt James Norris's Company.

Received a Letter from Genl Schuyler by Express, & answered it by the Messenger.

Wrote to Colo Stickney to send off all the Militia he possibly can.

Friday, July 4th, 1777.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Lt James Hopkins the wages due from this State for service in Capt McConnel' Company, Colo David Gilman's Regt, to William Burrough, Nathan Whiting, Benjamin Robinson, Thomas Goodwin, John Eaton, John Morgan, Saml Page, Benjamin Nesmith, Hugh Watt, Moses Watt, James Nesmith, William Lyon, Thomas McClary, John Kincaird, Asa Brinley.

Said Hopkins having Produced Receipts from said persons of their having Received their whole wages from him.

Ordered the R. G. to Let Lieut Robert Pike have out of the Treasy £25, to pay Bounties to men he Enlists, for which he is to be accountable.

Ordered the Select men of Canterbury to deliver each man of

their Town who is about to march on the Alarm to Ticonderoga, lbs. of Gun Powder out of the Barrell they rec^{d} of Benj. Butler, Esqr, taking rec^{ts} of the men, to return the same if not used.

Deliv^{d} the Select men of Canterbury 100 flints & 20lbs of Lead.

Ordered the R. G. to Let John Mills have out of the Treas^{ry} £25, to pay Bounties to men he Enlists, for which he is to be acc^{tble}.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Capt John Calfe for halling Stores towards Ticonderoga, £24–14.

Saturday, July 5th, 1777. Ordered the R. G. to pay the Roll of Capt Eliphalet Daniel, amounting to £151–18–8.

Wednesday, July 9th, 1777. appointed Col^{o} Thomas Bartlett Muster Master of Capt Marstin's Company.

Wrote the Committee of Portsmouth respecting the Raleigh, &^{c}.

Capt Roach returned his flagg or Commission for Carrying Mrs. Lovins & Children to Quebec.

Thursday, 10th. Ordered the Receiver Genl to pay Col^{o} David Gilman's account, amounting to Five dollars, for Expense in Sending a man to Exeter to procure the appointment of a Surgeon to his Regiment.

Ordered Col^{o} David Gilman to pay into the Treasury £22–14–1, being part of the Travail money of his Regiment which he received of Commissary Trumbull.

Allowed Capt Salter's pay Roll for his Company for the month of June, 1777, amounting to £165–3–4, & ordered the Treasurer to pay the same.

Gave John Taylor Gilman an order to Deliver a Gun to Steven Burley, a Soldier in Capt Gray's Company.

Gave orders to Capt Samuel Gilman to muster the Company Enlisted by Lieu^{t} Pike, and Pinkham ; also,

ordered the Treasurer to let Capt Saml Gilman Have £324, to pay bountys to Said Company.

10th July, 1777. Sent Mr Joseph Adams Express to Boston with General St Clair's Letters, Giving an account of the Evacuation of Ticonderoga, &^{c}.

Gave a mitimus to the Goal keeper to confine Robert Fulton in safe keeping till further order, &c.

Ordered that Leonard Whiting have the Liberty of a Safe Chamber in the Goal House till Saturday next, on parole, for the recovery of His Health, (he being very unwell.)

July 11*th*, 1777. Ordered the Receiver General to pay Ephraim Baldwin, Esqr, £3–12–0, for his Expenses in Coming Express with Genl St Clair's Letter.

Ordered the Goal keeper to Bring Peter Green, Esqr, before the Committee of Examination.

The said Peter Green, Esqr, was brought before the Committee, and Voluntarily took the oath of allegiance to this State, and order was Given the Goal keeper for his Enlargement, he paying all prison Charges.

Gave orders to Col. Thomas Bartlett to muster Capt Marston's Company, and gave him an order on the Treasury for 324 pounds to pay Bounties to the men.

Ordered the R. Genl to pay Jeremiah Abbot fifteen pounds to pay bounties to the men he Enlists for Rhode Island, for which he is to be accountable.

July 12. Ordered the Treasurer to pay Jacob Treadwell £170–18–9 for a Q^{ty} of rice supply'd Supply Clapp Agent Victualler with, for the use of the State.

Saturday, *July* 12*th*, 1777. ordered the Rec^{r} General to pay Lieu^{t} Noah Robinson £30–18–9, in full for Capt Samuel Blodget's account for a Suit of Colours for Col^{o} Hale's Regiment of Continental Troops.

July 14*th*, 1777. The Committee met and had divers matters under consideration.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Col^{o} Moses Nichols £20, to buy Lead for the State.

Wrote a Letter to the State of the Massachusetts Bay and agreed to call the General Court together, & accordingly sent hand Bills to the Members.

July 15*th*, 1777. Made out an order and had the same printed

and dispersed, requiring all officers, Civil and Military, to take up Deserters and Straglers from the Army and Send them to N° 4.

wrote to Col° Hunt at N° 4 to supply the Commissary there with Stores for the Continental Soldiers returning to their Corps.

Directed Capt Isaac Frye, or in his absence, Lieu^{t} Joseph Huntoon, to repair to N° 4 & there collect & Send forward to their Reg^{ts} all Soldiers who have left the Army.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Robert Fowle the Balance of his Acc^{t} for printing for the State to the 30th of May, 1777, amounting to £39–18.

July 16. Ordered Dr. Caleb G. Adams to let Mr Aaron Ball have 40^{lb} of Gun powder for the Town of Newport, he having p^{d} for the same to the Treasurer.

Wrote to the Mass^{tts} Council & Sent Col° Saml Folsom Express.

ordered the R. G. to pay the Acc^{t} of Genl Nathaniel Folsom to John Taylor Gilman, amounting to £5–10–8.

Also to pay the Acc^{t} of John Taylor Gilman for his services as one of the Committee on Claims, Amounting to £13–16.

Ordered the Receiver General to pay the Acc^{t} of David Alld (?) for Assisting to take money makers, amounting to £0–15–8, to Jonth Lovewell, Esqr.

ordered D° to pay Jonathan Lovewell's Acc^{t} for Taking Depositions, &^{c}, being 16|

Ordered the R. G. to pay Joseph Pearson £2–12–7, for his Journey to Watertown, Expences, &^{c}.

ordered the R. G. to let John Taylor Gilman have out of the Treasury £200, to buy Cloathing for the Army, for which he is to be accountable.

Sam^{ll} Trott Settled with the Committee for £100, he had out of the Treasury to Transport Stores to Ticonderoga, and paid the Treasurer £80–16.

Peter Clark, who received orders from the Coast to Enlist men, returned the orders and paid £50 to the Treasurer which he received from him.

Ordered the R. G. to let Micah Hoit have out of the Treasury

£6, to pay a bounty to a Continental Soldier, for which he is to account.

Thursday, July 17th, 1777. Ordered the R. G. to Let Maj^{r} George Gains have £700, to pay for Guns & Lead for the State.

Ordered D° to pay Francis Epes for going Express to Somersworth, 18|

Ordered D° to pay Col° Moses Nichols the Balance of his Account for Lead purchased for the State, £17–10.

Ordered the R. G. to Let Maj^{r} George Gains have out of the Treas^{y} £500, to pay for Lead & Flints at Boston, for which he is to be account^{ble}.

Ordered the R. G. to Let Col° Jonathan Burnham have out of the Treasury £324, to pay Bounties to men he Musters, for which Sum he is to be accountable.

Monday, July 21st, 1777.

The Committee met this day, received Several Letters & answered them.

Sent off a Tun of Lead, 500^{lb} of Balls, 1600 of Flints and 17 Barrels of Powder to Col° Hunt at N° 4.

Sent off by N. Nichols a Barrel of Gun Powder, 100 Flints, 150^{lb} of Lead and 50 Guns for Col° Chase's Reg^{t}.

Sent Tim^{thy} Chamberlain with a Letter to Genl Stark, & another to Col° Hunt.

Ord^{r} the Re^{cr} General to let Tim^{thy} Chamberlain have £35, to hire Teams for forward^{g} the Ammunition to N° 4.

Tuesday, July 22d, 1777. Ordered the Goal keeper to permit Capt Nathaniel Rogers to remove into one of the Porter Chambers, and his wife to be with him while he is sick.

Gave orders to Ensign John Eaton to march with what men he has, and to collect what deserters he possibly can, and join his Reg^{t}.

Ordered the Goal keeper to release Richd Ellisson, he having given Bond and taken the Oath of Alleg^{e}.

Ordered Capt Dame, keeper of the Prison in Dover, to Notifie the Selectmen of Barre, that he had 2 deserters in his care, & that

if they did not proceed with them Accord^{g} to the Resolve of their State, he would discharge them in 24 hours.

Wednesday, July 23*d*, 1777. Rec^{d} Several Letters by Express from Boston, & returned an Answer by the Same person.

Gave the Prison keeper, Mr Ladd, orders to Liberate Capt Nathl Rogers, on his Signing a Parole, drawn by the Comm^{e}.

Sent orders to Col^{s} Evans, Moulton, Bartlet, Gilman, McClary & Lt Co^{l} Wentworth, to Draft for their Reg^{ts} & hold them in Readiness at a minute's warning to march against the Enemy.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Noah Emery, Junr, one hundred & forty nine pounds Eleaven Shillings & four pence, being the Ballance of his Acc^{t} as Commissary, & his Loss at Ticonderoga, as p^{r} acc^{ts}.

July 23*d*. Ordered the R. G. to pay Lieu^{t} James Nichols ten pounds for Defraying the Charges of Several Deserters from Exeter to N° 4, on their way to the Army, he to be accountable.

ordered the R. G. to let Capt Simon Marston have out of the Treasury £27 to pay Bounties to men he enlists, for which he is to acc^{t}.

Ordered Col° Gordon Hutchins to let James Martin have the Money he drew out of the Treas^{y}, for Lieu^{t} Soper to Enlist men.

James Martin had Orders to Enlist men for Capt Marston's Comp^{y}, in room of Lt Soper who does not accept.

Thursday, July 24. ordered the R. Genl to pay Solomon Wheeler the Balance of his Acc^{t} for public service, Amounting to £3–12–4.

Ordered the Receiver General to pay the Acc^{t} of Nathl Peabody, Esqr, Amounting to £12–18–1, for Sundry Journeys & Expences on public Business.

Friday, July 25*th*. Ordered the maritime Officer of the Port of Piscataqua to permit the Schooner Beggars' Benison, belonging to Jacob Sheafe, Junr, to Sail on her Destined Voyage.

Sent Orders to the Capt Salter & Capt Daniels, for regulating their Conduct in the Forts—Copy on file.

Ordered the R. G. to let Col° Josiah Bartlet have £30 out of the Treasury, to bear the Expences of the Committee going to Springfield, for which he is to Acc^{t}.

Saturday, July 26th, 1777. Ordered the R. G. to Let Nich^{s} Nicolle have 15 Dollars, for which s^{d} Nicolle is to Acc^{t} by halling Stores.

Sent off a Barrell of Powder & 600^{lb} of Lead to Boscawen, by Nichols for to be delivered to Col^{o} Morey.

Monday, July 28th, 1777. The Committee met & had divers matters under Consideration.

Tuesday, July 29th. Sent off 43½ Bushels of Salt, 1000^{lb} of Musquet Balls, and a Small Barrel of Medicines, by Jedid^{h} Philbrick, to be Deliv^{d} to Jacob Abbot, Esqr, at Wilton.

Wrote to Mr Commissary Grout, and Esqr Abbot.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Joseph Adams his Account for a Journey to Boston on Public Business, £4–8–2, to carry Genl S. Clair's Letter of the Surrender of Ty.

ordered the R. G. to pay Mr Jedediah Philbrick £25 out of which he is to pay Mr Abbot for haling Stores from Wilton to N° 4.

Wednesday, July 30th. Gave Instructions to Col^{o} Sam^{ll} Follsome and Sent him off to Genl Stark at N° 4. also Sent by him 400 flints.

Ordered the R. G. to let Col^{o} Sam^{ll} Follsom have £200 to deliver to Col^{o} Stark.

Ordered the R. G. to Let Col^{o} Sam^{ll} Follsom have £30, to be accounted for by him.

Wrote a Letter by Col^{o} Follsom to G. Stark.

Thursday, July 31st. Received by Express from Boston Letters with Acc^{t} that the Enemie's Fleet, consisting of 170 Sail, left Sandy Hook the 23^{d} of July ins^{t}, in Consequence of which Maj^{r} Gains was sent off to Portsmouth, to get things in the best preperation possible.

Gave orders to Mr Cooper to dispose of Blanketts, &c.

Friday, Aug't 1st. R^{d} Several Expresses, Sent off Letters & Several of the Com^{e} Divers ways.

Saturday, Aug't 2d. R^{d} an Express from Genl Stark at N° 4, and wrote to him by s^{d} Express.

Sent off Nich^{s} Niccolle to Newbury, to look after Tin Kettles.

Ordered the R. G. to pay E. Thompson £1–6–6, for the Expences & horse hire for himself and Mr Wentworth to Portsmouth on public Business.

Monday, Aug't 4th, 1777. Ordered the R. G. to Let Col^{o} Supply Clapp have out of the Treas^{ry} £300, to buy Provisions, for which he is to be accountable.

Ordered the R. G. to let Nich^{s} Niccolle have £28–18–6, the Balance of his Acc^{t} to this day.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Jedediah Philbrook & Thos Chellis Eleaven pounds ten Shillings, for haling Stores to Wilton for Genl Stark's Brigade.

Tuesday, Aug't 5th, 1777.

Ordered the Rec^{r} G. to pay Col^{o} Joshua Wentworth £32–9–9, for a Hogshead of Sugar dl^{d} Mr Commissary Leigh.

Received a Letter by Express from the Council of Safety of the State of New York, enclosing the Copy of a Letter from Genl Schuyler. Wrote an answer by the Bearer.

Wednesday, Aug't 6th, 1777.

Ordered the R. G. to let Mr Timothy Chamberlin have £2–19–6, to pay him for a Journey to Moultonborough on public Business.

Ordered the R. General to Let Timothy Chamberlin have Twenty pounds to buy Tin Kettles at Newbury, for which he is to be accountable.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Nathan Weare & Edward Leavitt two dollars each, to pay their Extra^{y} Expences in Guarding Stores to the Army.

Ordered the R. G. to pay the Roll of Capt Eliph^{t} Daniel of his Comp^{y} of Matrosses, amounting to £138–9–10.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Sam^{ll} Hobart, Esqr, Ten pounds Two Shillings, for Signing & numbering money as p^{r} his Acc^{t}.

Ordered the R. General to Let Nich^{s} Niccolle have £25, to be accounted for by him in halling Stores to the Army.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Maj^{r} Geo. Gains two hundred & fifty pounds to buy Shott for the use of the State, he to be Accountable.

Monday, *Aug't* 11*th*, 1777. R^{d} a Letter by Express from Col^{o} Hunt at N° 4, & returned an Answer.

Tuesday, *Aug't* 12*th*. Ordered Col^{o} Nich^{s} Gilman to deliver Col^{o} Clapp the Corn & Grain in his care, belonging to the State, for the use of the Troops at Piscataquay.

Rec^{d} a Letter from Genl Stark this morning by Express.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Capt Joseph Simonds Twelve Dollars, for a Journey from Hilsborough on a Express to Exeter, to Bring a Letter bro't to said Hilsboro' by one Ensign Bradford, from Genl Stark at Manchester.

Wednesday, *Aug't* 13*th*, 1777.

Ordered the Receiver General to pay Ichabod Shaw Davis Fifteen Pounds, for mending & Cleansing 50 Guns for the State.

Ordered the R. G. to pay the Roll of Capt Titus Salter for the month of July, amounting to £154–6.

Ordered D° to pay Capt Titus Salter £8–14, for Expences after Deserters.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Col^{o} Joseph Senter thirty pounds, to be accounted for.

Thursday, *Aug't* 14*th*. Sundry Petitions of Prisoners under Consideration, and Several Persons heard in behalf of them.

Friday, *Aug't* 15*th*, 1777. ordered the R. G. to pay Jonth Leavit Eight Pounds, to pay Bountys to men he Enlists, for which he is to Acc^{t}.

Ordered D° to pay Joseph Dow 8 pounds, to pay Bounties to men he Enlists, for which he is to Acc^{t}.

Ordered the R. G^{l} to pay Theo^{s} Dame, Esqr, one hundred & Seventeen pounds 15| 10, being the ballance of his acc^{t} for boarding N. York Prisoners, &^{c}.

ordered the Receiver Genl to pay Ephraim Barker under keeper of the Gaol in Amherst, the Sum of Fifty five pounds, for keeping the Prisoners from New York, and to be accounted for by Col. Kelly, Sheriff of ye County of Hilsborough.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Howard Henderson Seven Pounds

Eight Shillings & Three pence, for ferriage for upwards of 500 men at Sundry times over Dover Ferry.

Saturday, Aug't 16th. ordered the R. G. to pay Tim^{y} Chamberlain 8–10, to ballance his Acc^{t} of Tin Kettles sent to N° 4.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Lemuel Davis £8–4, for mending 41 Continental Arms.

Monday, Aug't 18. Met & adjourned.

19*th.* application being made by Jn° Peirce for Liberty to Send Mr Fisher's Children to New York, but the Committee tho^{t} not proper at present to grant the request.

20. Ordered the R. G. to pay Robert Hunter & James Adams 2–14–3, for bringing Col. Holland's Negro to Goal.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Col° Tim° Walker Eight pounds Seventeen Shillings, being the Ballance of his Acc^{t}.

Sent orders to the Committee of Portsm° to Stop Lieu^{t} Fanning, a Person from New York, being suspected as a Spy.

Sent orders to the Committee of Dover to make enquiry about a large Number of oxen lately purchased there.

21. Ordered the R. G. to pay Jon^{a} Blanchard, Esqr, Twenty pounds, to be by him accounted for.

Ordered the R. G to pay Wm Mead Six Shillings for hooping & heading Salt for Genl Stark's Brigade.

Ordered the prison keeper to let Joshua Atherton have the Liberty of the yard, he procuring Sufficient Bondsmen in the Sum of five hundred pounds, & to be under the care of the Guard; this Indulgence is granted on account of his very bad State of health.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Simeon Ladd £48–15–9, for making a Drean to the goal.

22*d.* Settled the account of Simeon Ladd for Digging, Laying and Covering the Drane at the Prison, amounting to forty Eight pounds fifteen Shillings and nine pence, & Gave an order to the Rec^{r} Genl for the payment thereof.

23*d.* This Day Col. Josiah Bartlet & Col. Nathl Peabody ren-

dered an Acco^{t} of their Journey to Springfield, and accounted for £30, Drew out of the Treasury for that purpose by Col. Bartlet.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Cols. Bartlet & Peabody one Shilling & five pence to Ballance their Acco^{t} of Journey to Springfield.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Col^{o} Josiah Bartlet & Col. Nathl Peabody one hundred pounds, they to be accountable; they being appointed to proceed immediately to Bennington to consult the good of our militia & wounded Soldiers under Genl Stark.

Monday, Aug't 25th, 1777.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Mr Josiah Crosby £6–16–3, for coming express from Genl Stark.

Tuesday, Aug't 26th, 1777. Sent orders to the Goal keeper for him & the Capt of the Guard to attend Nathl Gove & Jonas Saunderson in Goal to converse with Dr Gove.

Wrote to Major Abbot, of Wilton, one of the Muster Masters for the Continental Troops, directing him where any delinquent Towns procured their men to compleat their Quotas of the Continental Troops, to pay them the Continental Bounty in addition to what he payed others, and to take Enlistments and Transmit them to the Respective officers.

Ordered the R. G. to let Mr Enoch Page have out of the Treasury £25, to pay Bounties to men he Enlists, for which he is to be accountable.

Wednesday, Aug't 27th, 1777. Wrote to General Stark by the Post.

Settled with Maj^{r} Cram for 60^{lb} of Gun Powder he received of Esqr Butler, and he paid 5| p^{r} pound to the Troops, £15.

Ordered the R. G. to pay the Roll of cap^{t} Josiah Brown, of New Ipswich, for his Company of Militia who marched to Ticonderoga on the alarm, amounting to £386–7–5. Also his Acc^{t} of £2–10 for Time and Expenses to settle his Roll. Total, 388–17–5.

Thursday, Aug't 28th, 1777.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Lt Joseph Huntoon Six Pounds Ten Shillings, for his Expences & horse hire 2 Journeys to N° 4, on public Business.

Friday, Aug't 29th. ordered Col° Nich^s Gilman to Let Mr Simeon Ladd have out of the State's Corn in his hands, 6 Bushels, which said Ladd is to acc^t for.

ordered the R. G. to pay Col° Matthew Thornton the Balance of his Roll and Account, amounting to £44–10–6.

Saturday, Aug't 30th. Ordered the R. G. to Let William Whipple, Esqr, have £10, towards his time & Expences at Congress, to be accounted for by him.

Tuesday, Sep't 2d, 1777. ordered Jn° T. Gilman to let Mark Tate, a Soldier in Capt Carr's Company, Col° Hale's Reg^t, have a Gun, as he is going to Join his Reg^t, having been Sick.

Gave a permit to the Brig McClary, Jacob Staples, Commander, to Sail on a Cruise.

ordered the Prison keeper, Mr Ladd, to deliver Cato, Col° Holland's Negro Boy, to the care of Mr Wm Stinson, he paying prison Charges.

Wednesday, Sep't 3d, 1777.

Wrote to Seth Fogg, of Epping, to appear before the Committee on Friday next to Answer a Comp^t of his being unfriendly to the American States, and gave a Summons to Sam^ll Dearborn to call Witnesses before the Committee.

Capt Atkinson being in Town, Capt Clough & Capt Melony was bro't before the Committee & Examined, & Sent back to Prison.

Gave Capt Sam^ll Atkinson orders to raise men to serve under Genl Stark, until the last day of Novr next, unless sooner discharged.

Thursday, Sep't 4th. Settled with Col° Jon^th Burnham, Muster Master to Capt Joseph Parsons' Company, & he paid a Balance of £6–12 to the Treasury.

Gave orders to Jacob Blasdell to raise men with Enoch Page & Daniel Hoit for a Company to march to R. Island, &^c.

Gave orders to Daniel Hoit, &^c.

Ordered the R. G. to Let Enoch Page have £25, Jacob Blasdell £25, and Daniel Hoit £25, to pay Bounties to men they may Enlist, to be Accounted for respectively.

ordered the R. G. to let Capt Jonth Robinson have £80, to pay his Expences, &^{c}, to Albany, to be Accoun^{d} for by him.

Ord^{d} D^{o} to pay Moses Louge £8–10, for 68 Bullet Boxes.

Friday, Septem'r 5th, 1777. Ordered the R. G. to pay Thomas Gilman £8–15, for 35 days, hired a Guard for the Gaol.

A complaint being made by the Committee of Epping against Capt Seth Fogg, who was Represented by them as an Enemy to the Country. The Said Fogg being cited appear^{d} before the Committee this day, as also the Committee of Epping, with Witnesses against him. The Evidence against him being heard & his Defence, The Committee were of Opinion that Said Fogg had Acted Imprudently, and had by Reason of his Violent Passions uttered Several Words unfriendly to the Country, which was different from his True Sentiments at other Times. Therefore, The Chairman by Direction of the Committee, admonished said Fogg and advised him to be very careful in his future Behavior & thereby convince his Countrymen of his Real Attachment to their Cause.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Lieu^{t} Joseph Dow Seven pounds Ten Shillings, due to him for Bounties paid Soldiers, and Eight Pounds Two Shillings, being a Doll^{r} a head for 27 Sold^{rs} Enlisted by him, £15–12.

Saturday, Sep't 6th, 1777. Issued Orders to Col^{os} Wentworth, Evans, Moulton, Gilman, Bartlet & McClary to Draft $\frac{1}{6}$ of their men & send them to Bennington, &c.

Gave Jno Tay^{r} Gilman orders to pay Col^{o} Senter's men Destined for R. Island 3^{d} p^{r} Mile; Travel 100 Miles Each.

Monday, Septem'r 8th, 1777. Gave Mr Ladd, Gaol keeper, orders to Liberate John Hickey and Deliver him to Capt Marston. Gave orders to Capt Marston to conduct him to Boston and deliver him to the Mass^{ts} Council, and wrote to Said Council on the Subject.

ordered the R. G. to let Capt Marston have 12| 6, to find said Hickey diet on the Road.

Settled with Lieu^{t} Jeremiah Abbot for £40, drew out of the

Treas^{ry}, and he paid the Balance, viz. 44| to the Treas^{r} ; all^{d} him a Doll^{r} p^{r} head f^{r} Enlist^{g}.

Ordered the R. G to pay Ensign James Martin £3–16, a Balance due to him for Bounties p^{d} 16 men, & a Doll^{r} p^{r} head for Enlisting.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Capt Joseph Parsons £14–12, Balance for Bounties he p^{d} to 22 men, & a Doll^{r} p^{r} head for Enlisting.

Ord^{d} the R. G. to pay Ens^{n} Jonth Leavit £6–12, for Enlist^{g} 22 men, being a Dol^{r} p^{r} Head.

Tuesday, Sep'r 9th, 1777. Divers Matters before the Committee, & Sundry Letters wrote, &c.

Wednesday, Sep'tr 10th, 1777.

Gave Mr Ladd, keeper of the Gaol in Exeter, permission to Liberate Joshua Atherton, Esqr, from Confinement.

And Directed Said Atherton to take private Lodging in the thick Settled part of the Town of Exeter, and to confine himself within 20 Rods of said Lodging at all times except when he rode abroad agreeable to former Licence.

Col^{o} John Webster Bro't in his Roll of the men raised in his Reg^{t}, for Genl Stark's Brigade, and Settled the Same, and there was due to him £17–4, which the Treas^{r} was directed to pay him.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Capt Robert Pike Twenty Three pounds Sixteen Shillings, the Balance due to him for Enlisting 41 men, a Dollar p^{r} Head & Bounties paid them.

Thursday, 11th. Ordered the R. G. to pay Col. Stephen Evans Eleven hundred & Sixty Eight pounds to pay one month's advance wages & Travel for his Soldiers & officers, for which he is to be Acc^{ble}.

Ordered Ditto to pay Lt Col^{o} Joshua Wentworth £515, for the purposes above s^{d}.

Ordered D^{o} to let Col^{o} Thomas Bartlet have out of the Treas^{ry} £610 Pounds, to pay advance money to the Soldiers raised in Col^{o} McClary's Reg^{t} for to Recruit the Continen^{l} Army.

Ordered the R. G. to Let Lieu^{t} Col^{o} Drake have Five Hundred

and Fifty pounds, to pay advance money to men Raised in Col° Moulton's Reg^{t}, to recruit the Continental Army.

Ordered D° to Let Col° Josiah Bartlet have £780, to pay men Raised in his Reg^{t}, to rec^{t} the Continental Army.

Ordered the R. G. to pay the Roll of Capt Titus Salter, amounting to £133–2.

R^{d} a Letter from the Committee of Plymouth, Informing that Several Strangers well dressed, had been discovered in a very unfrequented place in the Wood, which they Supposed were engaged in a Bad Design. Wrote to s^{d} Committee to endeavor to apprehend said Persons, make search, &c.

Friday, Septem'r 12th. 1777. Josiah Bartlet & Nathaniel Peabody, Esq^{rs}, who were appointed a Committee to visit the Northern Army, & Rec^{d} out of the Treas^{ry} £100, to be Accounted for, made report and Returned an Account of their Expence, &c, &c, £30 delivered Genl Stark, which was accepted & they paid into the Treasury the Balance in their hands, amounting to £31–19–0.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Thomas Pinder £4–10, a Bounty as a Soldier in Capt Parsons' Comp^{y}, & 25| as Travel Money to Rhode Island, £5–15.

The Honble John Langdon, Esqr, having laid before the Committee a Letter from Woodbury Langdon, Esqr, who is detained a prisoner at New York, desiring to be Exchanged for Co^{lo} Holland now confined here. after considering said Letter & Request, Resol^{d}, that it cannot be Complied with, Col° Holland being confined on a prosecution for counterfeiting the Currency, and must have a trial in this State.

ordered the R. G. to pay Jn° W^{d} Gilman £32–10, for Casting 3634^{lb} of Musket Ball at 12| p^{r} lb.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Thos Gilman £22–10, for casting 3634^{lb} musket Ball.

Appointed Noah Emery, Junr, Muster Master to the men Raising in Col° Nich^{s} Gilman's Reg^{t}.

Ordered the R. G. to Let Noah Emery, Junr, have £600, to pay advance money to men he musters as above.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Capt Saml Gilman £225, to pay bounty money to the men he Musters in Capt Enoch Page's Company.

Saturday, Sep'tr 13th. ordered the R. G. to Let Col^{o} Supply Clapp have out of the Treasury £60, to pay for Provisions for the State's use, for which he is to be Acc^{tle}.

Ordered the R. G. to let Mr Joseph Leigh have £40, towards his wages as Commissary, & to be Accounted for by him.

Lieu^{t} Col. Abrah^{m} Drake, of Col. Moulton's Reg^{t}, is app^{d} to take the Command of the Reg^{t} made up by Detachments from Col^{o} Wentworth's, Col^{o} Moulton's, & Col^{o} Bartlet's.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Jedediah Jewett £6, for Delivering Stores to our Troops on Hudson's River, in the Contin^{l}. Army.

Sep'tr 18th. ordered the R. G. to Let Nicholas Niccolle at Portsmouth, have £30, to be Accounted for by halling Stores to the Army.

24th. ordered the R. G. to let Joseph Wheaton have out of the Treasury fifteen Pounds, for which Sum he is to be accountable.

Wednesday, October 1st, 1777. Ordered the Receiver General to let Maj^{r} Sam^{ll} Philbrick have £600, to procure Provisions for the Army or Troops going as Volunteers, for which he is to be Accountable.

Ord^{d} the R. G. to Let Col. Nath. Peabody have £20, for which he is to Acc^{t} by him, &c., in Collecting Evidence of Money Makers.

Robt Fulton, of Londonderry, being Sent to the Committee by the Com^{e} of Londonderry, charged with being an Enemy to his Country. After Examination, on the Oath of Allegiance to the State being tendered to him he took the Same, and was ordered to Confine himself to the Town of Londonderry.

Ord^{d} the R. G. to pay Geo^{e} Gregg £2–18, for bringing R. Fulton to Exeter.

October 2d, 1777. ordered the R. G. to Let Col^{o} Clapp have one Hundred & fifty pounds, to be Accounted for as Agent Victualler.

Sent Instructions to Genl Whipple, who is gone forward in the Service, for him to regulate himself by.

Appointed Maj^{r} Philbrick to go to Keen, and provide Stores for the Soldiers passing there from this place, Deal it out, &c, and gave him Instructions—Copy on file.

ordered Mr Jno T. Gilman to let Mr Sim^{n} Ladd have a p^{r} of Leather Breeches for Rob. Holland.

Ordered the R. G. to let Mr Thomas Gilman have £176–13–4, to pay his Rolls for the Guard at the Prison this Day, & Candles for the Guard.

ordered the Officer at Hampton to Dismiss the Guard at Boar's Head.

October 3d. Ordered the R. G. to pay Simeon Ladd £23–15–3, for Sundr^{y} done in the Gaol.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Noah Emery, Junr, £160–4–3, the Balance of his account for mustering & paying advance wages to men raised in Col^{o} Nich^{s} Gilman's Reg^{t}, for the Continental Service.

Ordered D^{o} to Let Mr Eph^{ts} Barker have out of the Treasury £60, to support Prisoners from N. Y. in Amherst Goal, for which he is to be Acc^{t}.

Ordered Simeon Ladd, Prison keeper, to Liberate Capt Jeremiah Clough & John Melony from prison, they paying prison Charges; also to let Robt Fulton have the Liberty of the yard, he having given Bonds.

Saturday, October 4th, 1777.

ordered the R. G. to pay Moses Lougee £4–4, his account for Sundrys of Cabinet work for the State.

Ordered D^{o} to pay Jacob Hook, Esqr, £3–6, for him to pay Abig^{l} Wright, of Brookfield, in ye State of Mass^{s} Bay, for her Boarding 4 weeks, when sick, one Jno Lary, a Soldier in Capt Clough's Company in Col^{o} Poor's Reg^{t}, in his Return from Genl Washington's Army in the Jersies, in Feb^{ry}, 1777.

Gave Instructions to Commissary Clapp relating to the Prisoners.

Gave orders to Cap^{ts} Salter and Daniel to keep Guard over the prisoners.

gave orders to Simeon Ladd to get a Guard of Eight men on the best terms he can, to Guard the Gaol, 4 to be on duty in the Night and 2 in the day time.

ordered the R. G. to pay Capt Eben^{r} Swan 65–14–6, for Sundry Charges of the Prisoners bro^{t} from N° 4.

Col° Bartlet Settled his Roll of Mustering & paying men Raised in his Reg^{t} for to reinforce the Northern Army & went under Col° Drake, & paid the Balance in his hands of £109, to the Treas^{r}.

Monday, Oct. 6th. Not members Enough to make a Quorum.

Tuesday, October 7th. ordered the R. G. to pay D. Fowle his Acc^{t} for printing, Amounting to £17–18.

ordered the R. G. to pay Capt Francis Blood the Balance of his Account as Commissary to the prisoners from N° 4 to Portsmouth, Amounting to £11–0–11.

Wednesday, October 8th, 1777.

Benjamin Hart, late of Portsmouth, having Arrived there from Newport in a Flagg of Truce, desiring leave to carry away Several Women and Children, the Same was laid before the Committee & leave granted therefor.

Gave orders to Sam^{ll} Gilman, the 3^{d}, to take the Command of the Guard at the Goal & particular Instructions.

Thursday October 9th, 1777. Sent an order to Mr William Stinson, of Dunbarton, to send home to Mrs Holland, wife of Col° Stephen Holland, the Negro Boy belonging to s^{d} Holland, and assured him he would not be consid^{d} as Account^{ble} for the Negro's conduct after sending home, his Bond Notwithstanding.

Ordered the Receiver General to Let Mr William Gardner have £3000, to enable him to go on with his Business of Clothier in this State for the Continental Army, to be paid by him on Demand, he having left as Collateral Security with the Committee a Sett of Bills of Exchange on James Measum, Esqr, Clothier General in Philadelphia, Indorsed by John Langdon, Esqr.

wrote to the Committee of Portsmouth to take up & Examine Thomas Grant, late from New York, & if he appears Suspicious to send him to New York.

October 10*th*, 1777. Ordered the R. G. to pay John T. Gilman £317–15, the Amount of his Acc^{t} for money paid to Col^{o} Senter's Reg^{t}, to Billet them to Rhode Island.

Ordered Sim^{n} Ladd, keeper of the Gaol in Exeter to deliver Dr Gove & John Holland, prisoners in his Custody, to Col^{o} Saml Folsom.

Ordered Col^{o} Folsom Safely to Conduct Dr Gove & John Holland to Dover, & Deliver them to the care of Thop^{s} Dame, Esqr.

Gave orders to Theophlius Dame, Esqr, Sheriff of the County of Strafford, to receive into his Custody Dr Gove and Jno Holland, & them Safely confine in prison, &^{c} ; also to keep a Guard Each Night of 2 persons at the Gaol in Dover to prevent the prisoners Escape.

Saturday, *October* 11*th*, 1777. Gave orders to Col^{o} Clapp, Commissary of Prisoners, to Let Canadian Prisoners in his care go into the Country within 30 miles of Portsmouth, under the care of Persons he can trust, taking Receipts.

Thomas Grant, late from New York, being Apprehended & bro't before the Committee with 6 30 Dollar Counterf^{ts} Continen tal Bills, pleaded he did not know they were Counterfeit, yet considering the Circumstances, the Committee ordered him to pay the Cost, being £8–2–6, which he complied with.

ordered that Joshua Atherton confine himself to within 10 Rods of his Lodgings, & Sent him an order in writing.

Thursday, *Octob'r* 16. the Committee met and examined Sundry pay Rolls of Genl Stark's Brigade.

ordered the R. G. to pay Caleb Smith & Ithiel Gordon ninety pounds tow^{ds} haling two loads rum & Sug^{r} to the Northern Army at Stillwater.

Octob'r 17*th*. ordered the R. G. to pay the Roll of Capt Titus Salter, amounting to one hundred & thirty pounds twelve Shillings & Eleven pence. Also to pay Capt Salter Seven pounds Eight Shillings and three pence, for Horse hire, Expence bringing the Prisoners from Keen—132–0–7.

Ordered the R. G. to pay the Roll of Capt Eliph^{t} Daniels, amounting to one hundred & thirty one pounds fourteen Shillings and three pence.

Gave orders to Col. Clapp to permit 20 french prisoners to Enist on board the Rangar, if they incline.

Octob'r 18th. Ordered the R. G. to pay Robt Smith & Jno Aikin 7–13–4, for 4 Days each expense & horse hire to Boston after Col^{o} Holland, when he was taken.

Ordered the Rec^{r} G. to pay Capt Jno Bradford the amount of of his Roll, being 461–7–9, who Served under Genl Stark in Col^{o} Moses Nichols's Regiment.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Col. Supply Clapp £300–0, as Agent Victualler of this State, he to be accountable.

Ordered the R. G. to pay the Roll of Capt Daniel Runnels, amounting to 563–14–10, who is to pay off his Company & account for Said Money.

Ordered the R. G. to pay the Roll of Capt James Ford, amounting to five hundred & twenty nine pounds & Eight pence, who is to pay off his Company.

ordered the R. G. to pay the Roll of Capt Jesse Wilson, amounting to £264–13–9, who is to pay off his Company, & account for s^{d} Sum Accordingly.

ordered the R. G. to pay Coll. Moses Nicholle ten pounds, to be accounted for by his Staff Roll.

ordered the R. G. to pay Capt Stephen Parker four hundred & Sixty pounds, he to be Accountable.

Tuesday, Octob'r 22d. Ordered the R. G. to pay Capt Jeremiah Gilman £477–10–7, being the Amount of his Roll, he to account for the Same by paying off the s^{d} Roll to the Persons therein named.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Col. Joshua Wentworth one hundred & Sixty one pounds eight Shillings, to pay the Balance of his Muster Roll.

Major Samuel Philbrick rendered an account of his doings as Commissary at Keen, and Accounted for the Money he drew out of the Treasury by paying a Balance of £570–11–8.

Note. Major Philbrick advanced 14| Each to a number of volunteers from Londonderry under Capt Finley, which they are to account for,

Ordered the R. G. to pay Wm Elliot £3–10–8, for carriage of Belts, worms, wrappers, &c, to the Army of Ticonderoga last Spring.

Octob'r 25. Ordered the R. G. to pay Capt Jn° Goss the amount of his Roll, being £716–18–3, which he is to account for by paying off the Soldiers therein named.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Capt Jn° Goss 36| for the expence of Carrying Jn° Nevens, a Sick Soldier, from Manchester to Charleston.

Made out Precepts for a New Assembly, & wrote Letters to the Several Committees appointed to receive the Votes for Councellers.

Oct'r 30*th.* Not Members Enough Met to make a Quorum.

31*st.* ordered the R. G. to let Simeon Ladd have out of the Treas^{ry} one hundred & Sixty pounds, to be accounted for by him.

Nov'r 1*st.* ordered the R. G. to pay Capt Jonth Robinson £1–11–1, the Balance of his Acc^{ts} for apprehending Col° Hall.

Novemb'r 13. A war^{t} Issued from the Committee in consequence of which Elisha Woodbury was apprehended & Examined & Sent to prison.

Novemb'r 29*th*, 1777. Ordered the R. G. to pay into Messrs Blanchard, Wentworth & Peabody Esq^{rs}, £200, they to be accountable.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Matthew Patten, Esqr, £4–9, for his acco^{t} given in.

Ordered the R. G. to pay the Acco^{t} of Danl Warner, amounting to £4–18–7, to Esqr Lovewell.

Ordered the R. Genl to pay unto Eph^{m} Barker, keeper of the Amherst Goal, one hundred pounds tow^{ds} the Support of New York Prisoners, he to be accountable.

Monday, Decem'br 8*th.* Not Members enough to make a Quorum.

Tuesday, Decem'r 9*th.* Not Members enough to make a Quorum.

Wednesday, Decem'r 10th. Ordered the R. G. to pay the Roll of Capt Eliph^{t} Daniel for the month of Novem^{r}, amounting to £111–3. Also, his Ration Roll amounting to £100–14–8. Also, his Roll for Additional Wages according to Vote of Council & Assembly, amounting to £127–10–1.

ordered the R. G. to pay Thomas Wallace, a Soldier of Genl Stark's Brigade, £24–0–6, for his Expences when sick at Bennington 2 months.

ordered the R. G. to pay Caleb Smith and Ithiel Gordon Each £37–10, for halling Stores to Hudson's River, & to Caleb Smith 41| for additional Loading.

ordered the Gaol keeper at Exeter to discharge Capt Elisha Woodbury from Gaol, he paying prison Charges, he having taken the Oath, given Bonds for his Good Behavior, &^{c}.

Ordered the R. G. to let John Sanborn have £3, to pay him for his Expences in Collecting Soldiers together.

Thursday, December 11th. ordered the R. G. to pay the Roll of Sam^{ll} Gilman, ye 3rd, for a Guard at the Gaol in Exeter, amounting to £112–11.

ordered the R. G. to pay the Roll of Capt Moses Baker, amounting to £255–4–10, he giving Security to pay his Officers & men according to Said Roll.

ordered the R. G. to pay Andrew Aiken, a Soldier in Genl Stark's Brigade and Wounded at the Battle of Bennington, £10–10, for his loss of Time & Drs Bill.

Ordered the R. G. to pay 3 Rolls of Capt Titus Salter's, viz: the Roll of his Company for the month of November, amounting to £138–2; his Ration Roll, being £78–6–8; his Roll for additional wages, amounting to £167–17–4, as voted by the Genl Assembly, £394–6.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Samuel Emerson, Joshua Wentworth, & Joseph Gilman, Esq^{rs}, their acc^{ts} for Rec^{d} votes for Councellers, &^{c}, amounting to £5–6.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Sam^{ll} Emerson, Esqr, his Acc^{t} for a Journey to Exeter in Decem^{r}, 1776, to receive & Examine Votes for Councillers, amounting to 0–16–0.

ordered the R. G. to pay the Roll of Capt Robert Collins for his Company of Voluntiers, amounting to £278–11–8.

Ordered the R. G. to pay the Roll of Capt Hezekiah Hutchins, amounting to £226–2–4.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Dr Sam^{ll} Flagg £11–11–6, for Medicines supplied Col^{o} Wilkes's Regiment of Voluntiers.

Friday, December 12th, 1777. Ordered the R^{r} G. to pay John O'neil Adj^{t} of Col^{o} Moore's Reg^{t} of Voluntiers, his Roll for Capt John Duncan's, amounting to £138–8–6.

Ordered the R. G. to pay the Staff Roll of Col^{o} Daniel Moore, amounting to £103–11–6.

Ordered the R. G. to pay the Roll of Capt Joseph Finley for his Company of Voluntiers, amounting to £229–19–5.

ordered that the Staff Roll of Lieu^{t} Col. Joseph Welsh, amounting to £149–5–10, be paid by the Treas^{r}.

ordered the R. G. to pay the Acc^{t} of Joseph Lamson for Sundry Services as Constable, amounting to £1–12.

Ordered John Taylor Gilman to deliver Abner Thurston, a Soldier belonging to Capt Farwell's Company, Col^{o} Cilley's Reg^{t} a p^{r} of Breeches, a p^{r} of Shoes, a pair of Stockings, for which he is to be Accountable.

Ordered the R. G. to let Mr Joseph Leigh have £30, to be Accounted for as Commissary.

Ordered the R. G. to pay the Roll of Capt Ezekiel Gile for his Company of Voluntiers, amounting to £358–17–8.

Ordered the R. Gen. to pay the Roll of Lt Henry Adams, amounting to £40, and the Roll of Lieu^{t} Joseph French, amounting to £62–2–1, to Jonathan Lovewell, Esqr—102–2–1.

Saturday, December 13th, 1777.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Capt Josiah Gilman £18–14, for Attendance in Committee on Claims till Novr 14th, 1777.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Capt Josiah Moulton 14| for his Expences in a Journey to Portsmouth on public Business.

Ordered the R. G. to Charge the State with his Acc^{t}, amounting to £7–0–6, for Time and Expence to Boston & Concord on public Business.

Ordered the R. G. to pay the Roll of Capt Peter Clark for his Company in Genl Stark's Brigade, amounting to £428–14–8; also, his Roll for his Company of Voluntiers, amounting to £392–9–5; total £821–4–1.

ordered Mr Ladd to keep fires for the Prisoners in Gaol.

ordered the Committee of Thornton to provide for John Robinson's wife.

I Do Solemnly Swear by the great name of ye everliving God, That I will do my Duty as a good Subject of the State of New Hampshire, that I will to the utmost of my Power & ability disclose & make known to Some officer or Magistrate acting for and Under the Authority of the United States, or some one of them, of all Plots & Conspiraces which I know or may come to my knowledge, against this State, or the United States of America, or any one of them as Independent of & in Opposition to the King of Great Baitain; And that I will not directly or Indirectly, aid Assist, advise or give Intelligence to any Person or Persons Acting under the Authority of the Said King of Great Britain, Relative to his or their endeavouring to bring the United States or any one of them under the Dominion of the Said King; And that I take this Oath without any Mental Reservation or Equivocation whatsoever, and mean honestly and faithfully to perform the same —So help me God.

ROBERT FULTON,
JOHN MOLONY,
JERE'H CLOUGH.

ACCOUNT OF THE DAYS OF SITTING OF THE COMMITTEE OF SAFETY IN RECESS OF CONGRESS.

EXETER. 1775. JUNE,	6	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Hon. M. Thornton, Esq.,	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		P	P	P	P	P
Josiah Bartlett, Esq.,	P	P	P		P	P	P	P	P	P		P	P		P	P	P	P	P
Col. Wm. Whipple,	P	P	P	P	P		P	P	P	P			P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Hon. Nath'l Folsom, Esq.,	P		P				P									P	P	P	P
Eben'r Thompson, Esq.,	P		P	P		P	P	P	P	P		P	P		P	P	P	P	P
Israel Morey, Esq.,	P															P	P	P	P
Sam'l Ashley, Esq.,			P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	
Capt. Josiah Moulton,	P		P	P	P		P	P	P	P		P	P		P	P	P	P	P
Rev. Sam'l Webster,		P	P	P	P	P													P
And the Writer,			P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P

PORTSMOUTH. JULY,	1	3	4	5	6	7	8	11	12	13	14	15	18	19	31
Hon. M. Thornton, Esq.,	P	P	P	P	P					P	P	P	P	P	
Josiah Bartlett, Esq.,	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		P	P	
Col. Wm. Whipple,	P				P	P	P	P	P	P	P				P
Hon. Nath'l Folsom, Esq.,															P
Eben'r Thompson, Esq.,	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		P	P	P
Israel Morey, Esq.,	P	P	P	P	P	P	P								
Sam'l Ashley, Esq.,															
Capt. Josiah Moulton,	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		P	P	P
Rev. Sam'l Webster,	P	P	P	P	P	P									
And the Writer,	P	P	P	P	P	P	P			P			P	P	P
Hon. M. Weare, Esq.,					P	P	P	P	P	P	P				P

1775. AUGUST,	1	7	8	14	15	21	22	23	24	25	26	28	29	30	31
Hon. M Thornton,		P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P				P
Josiah Bartlett, Esq.,	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P				
Col. Wm. Whipple,	P			P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Hon. Nath'l Folsom, Esq.,	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Eben'r Thompson, Esq.,	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Israel Morey, Esq.,		P	P							P	P	P	P	P	P
Sam'l Ashley, Esq.,															
Capt. Josiah Moulton,	P	P	P	P		P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Rev. Sam'l Webster,				P	P					P	P				
Hon. M. Weare, Esq.,	P					P	P	P	P	P	P				P
The Writer,	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P

1775. SEPTEMBER,	1	2	11	12	13	16	25	26	27	28
Hon. Math. Thornton,	P	P	P	P	P		P	P	P	P
Josiah Bartlett, Esq.,										
Col. Wm. Whipple,	P	P	P	P	P	P		P	P	P
Nath'l Folsom, Esq.,	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Eben'r Thompson, Esq.,	P	P	P	P	P		P	P	P	P
Israel Morey, Esq.,	P	P								
Sam'l Ashley, Esq.,										
Capt. Josiah Moulton,	P	P								
Rev. Sam'l Webster,										
Hon. Mesh. Weare, Esq.,	P	P	P		P	P	P	P	P	
And the Writer,	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P

1775. PORTSMOUTH. OCT.,	9	10	11	12	16	17	18	23	24	25	26	27	28	30	31
Hon. M. Thornton, Esq.,											P	P	P		
Josiah Bartlett, Esq.,															
Col. Wm. Whipple,	P	P	P	P		P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Hon. Nath'l Folsom, Esq.,	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Ebenezer Thompson, Esq.,		P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Israel Morey, Esq.,															
Sam'l Ashley, Esq.,															P
Capt. Josiah Moulton,		P	P		P	P					P	P			P
Rev. Samuel Webster,															
Hon. Meshech Weare, Esq.,		P	P	P	P	P				P	P	P	P	P	
And the Writer,			P	P	P	P	P				P	P	P	P	P

1775. November,	1	2	3	4	6	7	8	9	10	11	13	14	15	16	17	18	21	22	23	24	28	29
Hon. Matt. Thornton, Esq.,		P	P	P							P	P	P									
Josiah Bartlett, Esq.,																						
Col. Wm. Whipple,	P	P	P	P		P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Hon. Nath'l Folsom, Esq.,	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		P	P
Eben'r Thompson, Esq.,	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Isral Morey, Esq.,		P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P						
Samuel Ashley, Esq.,	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P								
Capt. Josiah Moulton,	P	P	P	P		P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		P	P	P	P	P	P
Rev. Sam'l Webster,																						
Hon. Meshech Weare, Esq.,	P	P	P	P			P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
And the Writer.	P	P	P	P		P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P						P	P

1775. Portsmouth, December,	2	3	4	5	6	7	11	12	13	14	15
Hon. M. Thornton, Esq., (a)							P	P	P	P	
Josiah Bartlett, Esq., (b)											
Col. Wm. Whipple, (c)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Hon. Nath'l Folsom, (d)	F	P					P	P	P	P	P
Eben'r Thompson, Esq., (e)	P	P	P	P	P	P		P	P	P	P
Israel Morey, Esq.,											
Capt. Josiah Moulton, (f)	P	P	P	P	P	P		P	P	P	P
Rev. Sam'l Webster, (g)											
Hon. Meshech Weare, Esq., (h)	P	P	P	P	P	P		P	P		
And the Writer,	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P

(a) Order drawn for the whole.
(b) Order drawn.
(c) Order drawn.
(d) Order drawn for his whole time.
(e) Order drawn for the whole.
(f) Order drawn.
(g) Order drawn.
(h) Order drawn.

Jan'y 20, 1776.	20	21	29	30	31	1	2	3	6	7	8	9	10	11	13	14	15	16	17	22	23	24
						February.																
Hon. Meshech Weare, Esq., (1)	1	1		1	1	1	1	1		1	1	1	1							1	1	1
Nath'l Folsom, Esq., (2)	1	1	1	1	1	1	1			1	1	1			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Eben'r Thompson, Esq., (3)					1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Phillips White, Esq., (4)				1	1																	
Capt. Josiah Moulton, (5)	1	1		1	1		1	1	1	1	1	1	1									
Pierce Long, Esq., (6)			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

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April 2d, 1776. Portsmouth.	2	3	4	9	10	11	12	24	25	26	7	8	9	20	21	22	23
											May. Portsmouth.						
Hon. Meshech Weare, Esq., (1)	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		1						
Nath'l Folsom, Esq. (2)	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1			1	1	1	
Eben'r Thompson, Esq., (3)					1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1	1
Capt. Josiah Moulton, Esq., (4)	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		1		1	1	1	1	1	1	
Phillips White, Esq., (5)	1	1	1		1	1	1		1	1	1			1	1	1	1
Pierce Long, Esq., (6)	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
John Dudley, (7)	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1				1	1	1	1
Stephen Evans, Esq., (8)		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Robert Wilson, Esq., (9)	1	1	1						1								

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(8) Certified.
(9) Order to Squire Dudley.

Account of the Attendance of the Committee of Safety from July 10th to August 30th, 1776.

Travel. Miles.		July, 10	11	12	13	15	16	17	18	19	20	22	23	24	25	26	27	August, 5	6	7	8	19	20	21	22	23	29	30
14	Mesh. Weare,	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1							1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
42	Matth. Thornton,		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1			1	1		1	1	1	1	1	1
—	Nath'l Folsom,	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1							
26	E. Thompson,	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
—	W. Claggett,																											
16	Ph. White,		1	1	1	1	1	1				1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1
30	P. Long,	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1	1	1		1	1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	1
24	John Smith,	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
36	John Dudley,	1	1					1				1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
16	Josiah Moulton,	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1			1	1		1		1	
8	Benj'n Barker,	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	1
70	Tim'y Walker,																		1	1	1							
70	Matthew Patten,							1	1	1	1																	
36	Otis Baker,	1	1																								1	1
—	Nat'l S. Prentice,																											

Certified in full of this Com'te. £8–19–8.

[*The following Condensed Table shows the number of days attendance in* September, October, November and December, 1776.]

	Days.	Days.	Days.	Days.
Mesh'h Weare,	0	8	11	2
Nath'l Folsom,	3	9	11	2
E. Thompson,	3	9	11	2
Wys. Claggett,	0	4	8	2
Ph. White,	2	5	2	0
John Smith,	3	9	10	2
John Dudley,	3	9	7	2
Jos. Moulton,	0	6	7	2
Matt. Patten,	0	0	0	2
Otis Baker,	2	8	6	2
Rich'd Downing,	0	0	0	0
Sam'l Cutts,	2	7	4	2

Travel to allowed. Certified in full.

Travel.		January 20, 1777, 20	21	22	23	24	25		27	28	29	30	31	Feb., 1		3	4	5	6	7	8		10	11	12
7	Hon. Meshech Weare,			1	1			Sunday.							Sunday.							Sunday.			
6	Josiah Bartlett,																								
—	Nicholas Gilman,	1									1		1	1		1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1	1
13	Eben'r Thompson,	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1	1
18	John Dudley,	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	1			1	1	1	1	1		1	1	1
8	Josiah Moulton,	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1		1	1	1			1	1	1	1	1		1	1	1
18	Nath'l Peabody,	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	1			1	1	1	1	1		1	1	1
15	George Gains,	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	1				1	1	1	1		1	1	1
18	John Wentworth, Jr.,								1																
4	Benjamin Barker,	1	1	1	1	1			1	1	1	1	1	1				1	1	1	1		1	1	
—	Thomas Odiorne,	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1	1
6	Levi Dearborn,	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1		1	1	1											

	1777, April,												May,								
	15	16	17	18	19	21	22	23	28	29	30		1	2	3	5	6	7	8	9	10
Hon'ble Meshech Weare,	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1					1	1	1	1	1	1
Josiah Bartlett,	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1			1	1	1			1		1
Nicholas Gilman,	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Ebenezer Thompson,	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1
John Dudley,	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1		1	1	1	1			1	1	1
Josiah Moulton,	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		1		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Nathaniel Peabody,	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
George Gains,			1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1		1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1
Thomas Odiorne,	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
John McClary,		1	1	1	1					1	1		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
John Smith,	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1
Ebenezer Potter,	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

Account of the days of the sitting of the Committee of Safety, commencing Octob'r 1st, 1777.

	October,																								Nov.,
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	16	17	18		21	22	23	24	25	30	31	1
Meshech Weare, Esq.,	1	1	1	1	.	.	1	1	1	1	1		1	1	.	1	1	1	1	1	.	1	1
Josiah Bartlett,	1	.	1	1	.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1			1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Nich's Gilman,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.										1	1	1
Eb'r Thompson,	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1						1	1	1	1	1	1	1
John Dudley,	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
George Gains,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.												
Josiah Moulton,	1	1	1	1	.	1	1	1	.	1	1	1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
John Wentworth,	1	1	1	1	.	.	.	.	1	1	1												
Nath'l Peabody,	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	1	.	1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	.	.	
John McClary,	1	1	1	1	.	1	1	1	1	1	1				1	1	1	1	1	1	.	.	
Thom's Odiorne,	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Jonath'n Lovewell,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.					1	1	1				1	1	1	.	.	
Benj'n Giles,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.														.	.	

The day each to Mr. Dudley and Thompson on the 5th, was set down by order of the Committee for their Extra. attendance on Special Business when the Committee were not sitting; and Tho's Odiorne for shifting 2 Hhds. Sug'r one day, & 2 days on accounts.

	December, 1777.					
	8	9	10	11	12	13
M. Weare,				1	1	1
Josiah Bartlett,	1	1	1	1	1	1
Nich's Gilman,	1	1	1	1	1	1
E. Thompson,	1	1	1	1	1	1
John Dudley,	1	1	1	1	1	
Geo. Gains,	1	1	1	1		
Josiah Moulton,	1	1	1	1	1	1
Jno. Wentworth,				1	1	1
Nath'l Peabody,						
Jno. McClary,				1	1	
Thom's Odiorne,	1	1	1	1	1	1
Jon'n Lovewell,		1	1	1	1	1
Benj'n Giles,						

Certified.

COMMITTEE OF SAFETY FOR THE STATE, JANUARY 6, 1778.

The following Table shows the NAMES *of the Committee of Safety; and their* DAYS *of service, in each month, condensed from the original Records.*

		JAN'Y.	FEB'Y.	MARCH.	APRIL.	MAY.	JUNE.	JULY.	AUG'T.	SEPT'R.	OCT'R.	NOV'R.	DEC'R.
7	Hon. Meshech Weare, Ch'm,	20	5	7	11	5	6	9	6	5	3	Did not sit.	3
6	Josiah Bartlett,	20	5	0	5	(a)							
0	Nich's Gilman,	20	5	8	11	4	5	11	6	15	8		5
13	Eben'r Thompson,	0	0	0	2	9	2	2	6	11	0		3
36	Jonathan Blanchard,	1	0	0	0	(b)							
18	John Dudley,	22(1)	5	8	11	7	8	12	6	14	11		5
25	John McClary,	22(2)	5	8	7	(c)			3	10	11		0
8	Josiah Moulton,	20	4	8	11	8	12	12	5	15	11		2
0	Thomas Odiorne,	21(3)	5	9	11	5	6	12	6	15	11		5
15	George Gains,	19	5	7	7	2	7	0	2	0	0		3
18	Nath'l Peabody,	3	0	0	0	7	9	9	3				
	Benjamin Giles,	0	0	0	0	(d)							
18	John Wentworth, Jun'r., Cl'k P. T.	5	0	7	0	(e)							
	MAY, 1778. members added,												
	Samuel Philbrick,					3	10	12	6	13	11		5
	John Calfe,					0	6	7	6	12	11		5
	Samuel Gilman,					3	11	10	5	15	11		4
	Thomas Bartlett,					2	6	12	6	12	6		3
	Hercules Mooney,					3	11	6	3				
	AUGUST, 1778.												
	Jonathan Lovewell, (4)									0	0		0

Certified.

(1) "Esq. Dudley allowed for 1 Sabbath & Monday."

(2) "Col. McClarey allowed for Sabbath and 1 day, Monday, Committee not sitting."

(3) "Tho's Odiorne allowed for 1 Monday, when the Committee were not here, getting out acc't."

(4) [Although Jon'n Lovewell's name is on the Roll, he seems not to have attended.]—ED.

(a) The name disappears from the Roll.

(b) Do. Do.

(c) Do. Do.

(d) Do. Do.

(e) Do. Do.—ED.

In Committee of Safety, at a Session began January 6th, 1778.

John Wentworth, Junr, was appointed Clerk of said Committee, in the Absence of Mr Secretary Thompson.

Tuesday, 6th. Ordered the Treasurer to pay the amount of Theophilus Dame's acc^{t} for Guards, &c., on Jon^{a} Gove and John Holland, late prisoners in Strafford Gaol, amounting to Sixty one pounds five Shillings & four pence.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay the ballance of Col^{o} Saml Hunt's Acc^{t} (as Agent Victualler,) amounting to £548–17–3½.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Col^{o} Samuel Hunt one hundred pounds, the said Hunt to be accountable therefor.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Dr Silas Hedges forty pounds, he to be accountable therefor.

7th, Wednesday. Ordered the Keeper of the Goal at Dover to let James Richardson have the liberty of the Yard, for the recovery of his health.

The Roll of Major Jon^{a} Child & Fred^{k} Obrey passed, and an Order given on the Treasurer for payment, amount^{g} to £46–15–4.

The Staff and Ration Roll of the Officers in Col^{o} Hobart's & Col^{o} Morey's Regiments passed, & order given for the payment of the ballance thereof to Col^{o} David Webster, being £90–6.

the Roll of Capt John Willoughby passed, and an Order given for payment to Col^{o} David Webster, being £219–3–9.

The Account of Major Jon^{a} Child passed, and Order given for payment, being £7–8.

Ordered John Taylor Gilman to let James Rundlet, a Soldier in Capt Norris's Company in Col^{o} Hale's Regiment, have out of the State Store One pair of breeches & one pair of Shoes.

Wrote to the Committee of Safety of Londonderry, to know if they had Objections to William Vance's coming out of Prison on Bail.

Ordered William Gardner, Deputy Cloathier, to let Josiah Moulton, a Soldier of the Company lately commanded by Capt Weare, in Col^{o} Scammel's Regim^{t}, have a Suit of Cloaths, such as is allowed by the Continent.

The Roll and Acc^{t} of Col^{o} David Webster passed, and order for payment on the Treasurer given of the amount, being £247–12–4.

Ordered William Gardner, Deputy Cloathier, to let John Nichols, a Soldier in Capt Robinson's Company, in Col^{o} Hale's Regim^{t}, have a Suit of Cloaths, such as is allowed by the Continent.

Three Accounts of Col^{o} Israel Morey passed, settled and ballanced.

8th, Thursday.

ordered the Treasurer to pay Col^{o} Thos Bartlett Eight pounds one Shilling, being the ballance of his Muster & pay Roll & accounts passed this day.

The Muster Roll of Col^{o} Thomas Bartlett passed & ballanced.

The Account of Benjamin Bellows, Esqr, for Expresses, &^{c}, passed, and order given on Treasurer for payment, being 16–8–6.

Drew an Order on the Treasurer for Nine hundred fifty Seven pounds fifteen Shillings & Eleven pence, to be delivered to Col^{o} Benjamin Bellows, for which Sum the Said Bellows is to be accountable.

Ordered Mr John Taylor Gilman to deliver to Moses Robard, a Continental Soldier in Capt Norris's Company, two Shirts & one pair Shoes, and also to deliver to Samuel Ward, a Continental Soldier in Capt Company, One pair Breeches & One pair Shoes.

Sent a Mittimus to Simeon Ladd, Deputy Goal Keeper, to confine Benjamin Hickcox, late an officer in the Service of the United States, and who lately fled to, & joined our Enemies.

The Roll & Account of Capt Jesse Page passed, & order given on the Treasurer for payment of the ballance, being 151–11–5.

Fryday. Order'd the Treasurer to pay Deac^{n} Samuel Brooks three pounds, being the Am^{t} of his Acc^{t} for finding the Council & Committee of Safety a Room, firewood & Candles fourteen Days.

ordered the Treasurer to pay Jacob Sheafe, Junr, 89–14, being the amount of his Acc^{t} for Molasses Supplied the State, this day passed.

Ordered Mr Wm Gardner, Deputy Cloathier, to let Phinehas

Wentworth. a Continental Soldier belonging to the Company lately commanded by Capt Bell, in Col^{o} Hale's Reg^{t}, have a Suit of Cloaths, such as is allowed by the Continent.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Capt Daniel Emerson One Hundred Seventy four pounds Eighteen Shillings & four pence, being the amount of his Roll passed this day.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay to Capt Samuel Dearborn One hundred & twenty pounds to pay bounties to Soldiers going to Rhode Island, for which Sum he is to be accountable.

Saturday.

gave an order on the Treasurer for three hundred pounds, to be delivered to Col^{o} Supply Clap, to enable him to purchase pork & Salt for the State, he to be accountable therefor.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Nicholas Nicoll the ballance of his Account this day passed, being fifty Six pounds fourteen Shillings, for carrying Cloathing to the Army.

Ordered the R. Genl to pay Jno T. Gilman for two hhd. Sug^{r}, the property of Jon^{a} Amory, of Boston. Q^{t}: 22c 1q 9lb–at £8—£178–12–9.

Tuesday, Jan'y 13. ordered Jno Taylor Gilman to deliver Saml Ward, a Soldier in Capt Bell's Comp^{y}, 2 Shirts & a p^{r} Stockens.

Ordered D^{o} to deliver Lemuel Durell, a Soldier in Capt Rowell's Comp^{y}, a p^{r} Shoes.

Ordered Jno T. Gilman to deliver Nathan Moulton, a Soldier in Capt Jason Wait's Company, a p^{r} Shoes.

ordered Mr Thomas Odiorne to repair to Newburyport to purchase Coarse linens & other Cloth Suitable for Shirts, and Coarse wollen goods Suitable for Overhalls for the Soldiers.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Ens^{n} Danl McQuig forty Seven pounds four Shillings & three pence, the amount of his Roll passed this Day.

Ordered the R. G. to let Thos Odiorne have two hundred and fifty Six pounds Eight Shillings, to purchase Cloathing at Newbury for the Soldiers.

Wednesday, Jan'y 14*th*, 1778.

ordered the Rec^{r} Genl To pay Zechariah Fowle Eighty five pounds, in full for his account for paper and printing for the State.

Ordered William Gardner, Deputy Cloathier, to let John Collins of Capt Bell's Company, and Richard Sherman of the late Capt Beals' Company, in Col^{o} Scammell's Regiment, each of them have a Suit of Such Cloathing as is allowed by the Continental Congress.

Thursday, Jan'y 15*th*, 1778. the Roll of Capt Zebulun Gilman passed, and an order given on the Treasurer for the payment thereof amounting to £591–5–6.

Ordered Jno Taylor Gilman to deliver Nathan Moulton, a Soldier in Capt Wait's Company a p^{r} breeches, a pair Stockens & a Shirt.

the Roll of Capt Nicholas Rawlings was passed, and an order Given on the Treasurer for the paym^{t} thereof amounting to £249–3–8.

The Roll of Capt Moses Leavitt was passed, and an order given him on the Treasurer for the payment thereof amounting to £305–14–2.

Gave an ord^{r} on Treasurer for to pay Capt Simon Marston Eleven pounds, the ballance of his account Inlisting men for Providence who Served there last Summer.

Gave Commissions to Col^{o} Peabody & his officers going to Providence.

Made out an ord^{r} to Noah Emery, Junr, to call on the Several Captains that were in Col^{o} Long's Regiment, for the money that is in their hands & to pay the same into the Treasury.

This Day Settled with Noah Emery, Junr, as Commissary to our 3 Battallions, & he paid the Ballance into the Treasury, being £324–18–11.

Gave order to R. G. to pay Thomas Odiorne one hundred & forty two pounds, being the ballance of his account for Cloathing bo^{t} at Newbury for the Soldiers.

The Ration Roll of the officers in Col^{o} Drake's Reg^{t} passed, amounting to £110–5–4, & an ord^{r} given to the Treasurer to pay off the Same to the Persons therein named.

Friday, January 16*th*, 1778. Gave Richard Furber an order on the R. G. for Six pounds 12 Shillings, for his Doctoring & nursing while Sick at Amherst, in the Massachusetts Bay, on his Return from the Northern army in Novr last, being a Soldier in Capt McDuffee's Company, in Col. Evans' Regiment.

Gave an order on the R. G. to pay Lieu^{t} Oliver Morrill the amount of Capt Porter Kimball's Roll, being Six hundred & Seventy pounds three Shillings & five pence, he giving Security, &c.

Gave orders to the R. G. to pay Quarter Master Thos Leavit the amount of his acco^{t} for Settling the Ration Roll in Col. Drake's Reg^{t}, being four pounds ten Shillings, at New Windsor & here.

also gave order to pay s^{d} Thos Leavit the amount of his Sauce Roll, being one hundred & thirty one pounds fourteen Shillings & Eleven pence.

Passed the Roll of Capt Ezra Currier in Col. Drake's Reg^{t}, & gave orders for payment, amounting to 230–3–2.

Saturday, 17*th*. Gave orders to the Treasurer to pay the Ration Roll of Col. Evans, Except the Captains, (who are to be made up separate,) amounting to £48–10–8.

The account of Noah Emery, Esqr, was passed, and ordered the R. G. to pay him Eighty pounds Eight Shillings and eight pence, being the Ballance due on the Same.

Ordered the Treasurer to let Joseph Wheaton have five pounds, he to be Accountable.

Tuesday, January 20*th*, 1778. Gave orders to Joseph Wheaton to Enlist men for Rhode Island, & gave an order on the R. G. to pay him forty pounds to pay bounties to the men Enlisted by him.

21*st*. Sundry Soldiers who Diserted from Albany bro^{t} before the Committee this Day & were examined. Some ordered to pay all the money they rec^{d} into the Treasury, others to pay part, & others Dismist for the present.

Gave orders to the Goal keeper to liberate Wm Vance from Goal, he having given bonds for good behavior & to confine himself to his farm.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Robt Swanton, Q^{r} Master to Col. Evans' Regiment, four pounds, for time Spent in Settling Rolls.

Passed the Sauce Roll of Col. Evans' Regiment, amounting to £82–11–1¼, & gave orders on the Treasurer for that Sum.

22. Ordered Jn° T. Gilman to let James Beal, a Soldier in Capt Caleb Robinson's Comp^{y}, have 2 Shirts, 1 p^{r} Overalls, 2 p^{r} hose & 1 p^{r} Shoes. And to deliver James Norris, a Soldier in Capt James Norris' Comp^{y}, 1 p^{r} Overalls, 1 p^{r} hose, & 1 p^{r} Shoes & a Shirt.

Ordered Jn° T. Gilman to Deliver the two Soldiers above mentioned two Guns to guard Mr Nicholls' Waggon to Head Quarters; also to Deliver Abner Thurstin, a Soldier in Capt Farwell's Company, a p^{r} overalls, a p^{r} hose, one Shirt, a p^{r} Shoes, & a Gun to Join Nicholls' Guard.

Ordered Treasurer to pay Capt Saml Dearborn Sixty pounds, for Inlisting men for Providence, he to be accountable.

Ordered Treasurer to pay the Roll of Capt Danl Rand, amounting to £318–19–10.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Col° Saml Folsom Seven pounds two Shillings & five pence, being the ballance of his acco^{t} for Services Done the State.

Gave orders On the Treasurer to pay Nicholas Nicholle one hundred pounds tow^{ds} carrying load Stores to the Army & to billet the guard, he to be accountable.

Ordered the R. G. to pay the Roll of Col. Jon^{a} Moulton for a guard at the beach, amounting to £53–0–0; also to pay s^{d} Moulton four pounds four Shillings, the ballance Due on his Roll for mustering men rais^{d} in his Reg^{t} & march'd for N. York in Decemb^{r}, 1776, under Col. David Gilman. Also to pay the Roll of s^{d} Moulton for his Company of Volunteers that marched to Saratoga to Reinforce Genl Gates last fall, amounting to £533–15–8.

Ordered the R. G. to pay the Roll of Lieu^{t} Reuben Jerold to Maj^{r} Francis Smith, amounting to forty two pounds five shillings & Six pence. They went to Saratoga in September last.

Saturday, Jan'y 24th, 1778.

order'd the R. G. to pay Nicholas Nichole thirty pounds, to be accounted for by Halling Stores to Pennsylvania.

Gave licence to Jn° Langdon, Esqr, Wm Gardner & Jn° T. Gilman to purchase necessaries for the Army & Navy.

also Directed Sheriff Parker to release Mr Mark Hunt & Wentworth & family from their Parole heretofore given.

Ordered the R. G. to pay the account of Moses Louge, amounting to fifty four Shilling, for making 5 Chests to pack up cloathing going to the Army.

Gave orders to Col. Jos. Cilley & Col^{l} Alex^{dr} Scammell to pay the State's bounty of Twenty pounds to each Soldier that has Inlisted into their Regiments for three years or during the war, they making the Same Certain to the authority of this State, that they have not received it before. Also to pay the Said bounty to each Soldier who shall hereafter Inlist as aforesaid, & it shall be allowed them on Settling their accounts with the State.

Appointed Geo. Gains, Esqr, to Muster the two Matross Companies at Portsmouth.

Ordered the R. G. to pay the Roll of Maj^{r} Francis Smith for going to Ticonderoga last July, amounting to five hundred & nine pounds nineteen Shillings & nine pence, he giving Security, &c.

Sent off Nicholls with a load Cloathing to the Army.

Tuesday, Jan'y 27th. the Committee met & rec^{d} Letters from Genl Washington, Gov. Cook, Col. Hunt, &c. Col. Center & his Captains appeared before the Committee to know how they should make up their Rolls & get their pay.

Wednesday, Jan'y 28th, 1778. Ordered the R. G. to pay the Roll of Capt Nathan Sanborn who marched to Saratoga under Col. Evans, amounting to Eight hundred & thirty Six pounds five Shillings & ten pence.

Ordered the R. G. to pay the Roll of Capt Saml Philbrook for 21 men who marched tow^{ds} Ticonderoga in July last, amounting to forty Six pounds Eight Shillings. Col. Moore's Reg^{t}.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Thos Odiorne his account for making overalls, Shirts, breeches, & trimming, &c., amounting to £66–10–10. Sent to the Army by Nicholls.

Ordered the R. G^{l} to pay Col^{l} Jos. Senter one hundred & fifty pounds, to be accounted for by him on Settling his Roll.

Maj^{r} Downing & the Committee of Newington made Complaint against Benj^{a} Adams, Esqr, for Enemical Conduct against the United States of America, who was Summoned to appear before the Com^{tee} Wednesday next.

Gave Commission to the Privateer McClary, and took Bonds according to Resolves of Congress.

29. Ordered the R. G. to pay the ballance of the Rolls of Ens^{n} Francis Warren in Capt James Libbey's Company in Col. Evans' Reg^{t}, amounting to £223–2–4, to Ens^{n} James Warren, he giving Security, &c.

Ordered the R. G. to pay the Ballance of the Staff Roll of Col. Stevens Evans, amounting to £160–17, to the Several Persons therein named,

Ordered the R. G. to pay Ens^{n} Francis Warren, in Capt James Libby's Company, Col. Evans' Reg^{t}, £3–15–6, for acting as Lieu^{t} in the Company after the Captain & Lieu^{t} Deserted, from the 20th of October, being one month & 24 Days.

Fryday, January 30th, 1778. Settled Col^{o} Stephen Evans' Acc^{t} for money he received, as he Says, from Mr Bedlow, to pay his Regiment, and ballanced the Same.

Jan'y 30th. Ordered the R. G. to pay Thos Odiorne two pounds Sixteen Shillings & Six pence, for 30½ Doz. buttons & thread for 25 p^{r} overalls & breeches, omitted in his account.

Ordered the R. G. to pay the Roll of Capt Nathl Ambrose, Col. Badger's Reg^{t}, who march^{d} to Saratoga at the taking of Genl Burgoine, amounting to Two hundred & fifty Six pounds & five pence, he giving Security, &c.

Saturday, Jan'y 31. Sent a Warrant to Jno Parker, Esqr, Sheriff of the County of Rockingham, to Seize & take into Custody the Brigantine called the Prudence, being the property of Robt Robertson & Hugh Henderson, who have absconded & gone over to our Enemies, & to make return of his doings to the Com^{tee} of Genl Assembly.

Tuesday, Feb'y 3d.

The Committee met, received a Letter from Genl Heath desir-

ing the Com^{tee} to send forward under Guard the Tory prisoners who are now in Portsmouth Goal; also received a petition from Jn° Stevens & others, &c.

4th. Benjamin Adams & Wm Pottle, who were Summoned to appear before the Committee for Enemical conduct, this Day appeared, & after examining evidences, Determined that Benj^{a} Adams, Esqr, take the oath & be dismist, & that Wm Pottle take the oath and pay the Charges of a Warrant, Service & evidence, being five Dollars.

Gave orders to Commissary Grout to deliver provisions to Lieu^{t} Huntoon for his Rations, as he is under the hands of a Surgeon, being wounded in the Continental Service.

Gave an order on Wm Gardner to deliver Josiah Moulton, a Soldier in Lieu^{t} Wedgwood's Company, a Suit of Cloaths; also another Suit to Thos Prowse, a Continental Soldier in the late Capt Beal's Company.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Wm Appleton thirty Shillings, for 7 quires paper, when the Court Set at Portsmouth.

Ordered the R. G. to pay the Roll of Capt Eliph^{t} Daniels a Matross Company, amounting to £79–12–6.

Gave a licence to Capt Eliph^{t} Ladd & Mr Jedediah Jewet to transport to Kennebunk to the Value of 110 bushels of Corn & grain to pay for a Quantity of Salt which they bo^{t} there in Octob^{r} last, & bro^{t} into this State & engaged to pay in corn.

5. Ordered the R. G. to pay Richd Jourden two hundred pounds, for his encouragement to build a paper mill, he having given bonds to the Treasurer, or his Successor, to repay the Same within two years from the Date.

Directed Capt Eliph^{t} Giddinge, Muster Master, to pay Capt Amos Morril the travel money for those men in his Company who have not received their travel money before.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Peter Laberce his account for providing Barracks at N° 4, Cooking for the Soldiers, taking Care of French sick prisoners, &c., amounting to £7–19.

Gave an order on Wm Gardner to deliver Josiah George, a Soldier in the late Capt Weare's Company, a Coat and Jacket.

By Virtue of a Request from Genl Heath the Committee Gave orders to Col^{o} Clap to Send to Boston the prisoners which were bro^{t} from Lake George. Also to send with them under Guard all the Prisoners taken at Sea, either in Publick or private Vessels of war, or otherwise.

Ordered Capt Salter & Daniels to furnish a guard of Six men to guard the above Prisoners to Boston.

Ordered John Taylor Gilman to deliver Josiah George, a Soldier in the late Capt Weare's Company, a p^{r} Shoes, 2 p^{r} hose & 2 Shirts.

Appointed Noah Emery Junr, Muster Master to Col. Stephen Peabody's four Companies, bound to R. Island.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Col. Supply Clap one thousand pounds, he to be accountable for the Same.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Lieu^{t} Joseph Wheaton thirty pounds, he to be accountable by Inlisting men for Rhode Island.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Elijah Grout, Esqr, ninety five pounds nine Shillings & Six pence half peny, being the Ballance of his acco^{t} as Commissary. also twelve Shillings & nine pence ½ peny, for 153½ Sheets paper omitted—£96–2^{s}–4^{d}.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Capt Stephen Parker, Col. Nicholl's Reg^{t}, G^{l} Stark's Brigade, thirty two pounds four Shillings & five pence, being in full for the ballance of his Roll, he having rec^{d} 460–0–0 the 17th Day of October last, in part.

Ordered the R. G. to pay John Taylor Gilman three hundred pounds, he to be accountable by purchasing Cloathing for the State.

6th. Ordered the R. G. to pay Noah Emery, Junr, three hundred pounds, he to account for the Same by Mustering & paying one month's wages to men Inlisted for Rhode Island.

Jno Parker, Esqr, made return of the Warrant to him Directed that he had Seized the Brigantine Prudence, & the Com^{tee} gave him further orders to retain her in Custody & appoint some proper Person or Persons to Care of her.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Col^{o} Langdon one hundred & twenty pounds fourteen Shillings & Eight pence, being the ballance of his account as Member of Congress for this State in the year 1775.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay the Roll of Capt Josiah Brown, in Col^{o} Enoch Hale's Reg^{t} of Militia, who Marched to Reinforce Ty. the 3^{d} of July, amounting to £205–4–2.

Gave orders to Wm Gardner to deliver Peter Akerman, a Soldier in the late Capt Beal's Comp^{y}, Col^{o} Scammell's Reg^{t} Continental Army, A Coat & Jacket.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Mr Joseph Leigh, Commissary to the Matross Companies at Portsm^{o}, forty two pounds 14| & 7$^{d}\frac{1}{2}$, being the Ballance of his account to Jany 4th, 1778.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Capt Moses Leavitt £7–15, His Roll being Short, last 10 miles travel of 62 men.

Ordered the R. G. to pay the Roll of Capt Edmund Bryant's Volunteers, Col. Moore's Reg^{t}, who marched to Saratoga in September last, amounting to £434–19–4.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Eph^{m} Barker fifty pounds tow^{ds} boarding N. York Prisoners, he to be accountable.

7th. Ordered the R. G. to pay the Roll of Capt Gershom Drury's Company of Volunteers, Col^{o} Danl Moore's Reg^{t}, who marched to reinforce Genl Gates at Saratoga in September last, amounting to £145–8–5.

March 6th, 1778. Wrote to the Committee of Chesterfield, directing them how to conduct with Ebenezer Harvey, Eleazer Pomrory & Samuel King.

Wednesday, *March 18th*, 1778. conferred with Major Samuel Page about enlisting Soldiers.

Thursday, 19*th.*

Gave Mr Stephen Hall a permit to go to Cornwallis, in Nova Scotia, to bring from thence his family & Effects.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay to Peter Kimbal Eight pounds ten Shillings & Eight pence, being due to him for wages as a Soldier, &c. Soldier in Evans' Reg^{t}.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Major Willm White £228–14| to pay continental Soldiers the State bounty &c., for which Sum he is to be accountable.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Major Simon Marston £810 in State Notes, to enable him to enlist & hire Continental Soldiers.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Saml Cutts, Esqr, Twenty five pounds, for the hire of his warehouse, Scales & Weights for one Year.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Col^{o} Noah Lovewell Two Hundred pounds in Notes, to enable him to hire Continental Soldiers, to be accountable.

Appointed Major Willm White to Muster & pay the State bounty to all Soldiers hired by Col^{o} Noah Lovewell for completing the Continental Battallions.

Friday, 20*th*.

Gave Leave to portsmouth to establish a Hospital for the Small pox, to be under such Regulations as Shall be approved of by this Committee.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Noah M. Daniels £12–4| being the amount of his account for his attendance on the General Assembly, &c.

The Account of Col^{o} Samuel Hobart exhibited & allow'd, and a ballance due thereon to the State of £74–17–7. A memorandum exhibited therewith by which it appears that the Sum of 95–5–6 is due on the Rolls to pay Soldiers, part of which is the above ballance now in the hands of said Col^{o} Hobart.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay John Moor's acc^{t} for carting powder & Expences, amounting to 5–13|

Saturday, 21*st*.

Wrote to General Poor, giving an acc^{t} of our Troops raising, & Cloathing & other Necessaries for them.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Dea^{n} Saml Brooks nine pounds twelve Shillings, being the Am^{t} of his Acc^{t} for copying the Acc^{t} of the Com^{tee} of Supplies.

The Account of Capt Samuel Gilman for mustering Capt Page's & Capt Pike's Companies allowed & passed.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Mr Simeon Ladd £237–15–7, being the ballance of his Acc^{t} for boarding Prisoners, &c.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Saml Trott 4–12| being the Am^{t} of his Acc^{t} for carrying express to Col^{o} Morey. Also ordered the Treasurer to pay him five pounds for which Said Trott is to be accountable.

Thursday, March 26th, 1778. ordered the R. G. to pay Benj^a Boardman 8–16–6, for going Express to Boston to Carry advertisements after Col. Stephen Holland.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Mr John Deane £52–9–8, being in pursuance of a Vote of Council & assembly for the Doc^trs Bill in boarding, &c., his apprentice who was Sick & belonged to Col^o Evans' Regiment returning from the North River.

Gave enlisting Orders to Mr Peter Drowne, of New Market, to enlist Soldiers to go to Rhode Island.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Mr Peter Drowne £60, to pay Soldiers bounties who shall enlist to go to Rhode Island, the said Drowne to be accountable for said Sum.

Gave orders to Capt Eliphalet Daniels to enlist into his Company one John Ervin.

Fryday, March 27th, 1778.

Gave Orders for the Proclamation of Congress for a Fast thro' the United States be printed & Sent to the Several religious Societies in this State.

Ordered Simeon Ladd, Goal keeper, to suffer Joshua Boynton to go at large, he having recognized for his appearance at the Superior Court at Amherst by Adjournment on the 1st Tuesday of June next.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Peter Folsom £3–12| being the amount of his Account for mending Prison.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Capt Ezekiel Gile One hundred & Eighty pounds, to enable him to pay bounties to Soldiers going to Rhode Island, he to be accountable.

Ordered Major William White to Muster the Men enlisted by Capt Ezekiel Gile to go to Providence.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Major Mark Wiggin £100, to enable him to hire Soldiers to complete Continental Battalions, for which he is to Account.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay the board of War £1000, to be by them accounted for.

David Foster, of Canterbury, Settled with the Committee of Safety for a Bb^l of Powder delivered the Select Men of Said

Town by Benj^{a} Butler, Esqr, paid the balance to the Treasurer, being £27–0.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay John B^{m} Hanson £200 in Notes, and £200 in Cash, to enable him to hire continental Soldiers, he to be accountable.

Saturday, March 28th, 1778. Wrote to Col^{o} Clap to get ready his accounts for Money, &c., Supplied Prisoners, &c., in order to Send forward to Congress.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Samuel Gilman's Roll for a Guard at the prison, being £203–2–0.

Monday, March 30th, 1778. Part of the Committee met, but it being stormy, could not make a Com^{tee} to proceed on Business.

Tuesday, March 31st.

Gave orders to Lieu^{t} Ezekiel Worthen to enlist men for Rhode Island.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Lieu^{t} Ezekiel Worthen £60, he to be accountable.

The Committee made out orders to the Several Colonels in the State to fill up our Battalions with men to be Drafted for nine months, according to a Resolution of Congress, Just received.

April 1st. The Com^{tee} Continued to make out orders to the Colonels of the Militia, &c.

Ordered the R. G. to pay John Slapp thirty Shillings, for carrying orders to the Colonels of Militia & Proclamations for Continental fast.

Ordered the R. G. to pay James Underwood, Jerry Page & Abiel Abbot, Esq^{rs}, a Com^{tee} appointed to receive Votes for Councillers for two years last past, their account for said Business amounting to £9–12–0.

April 2d. The Committee this Day proceeded to make out the account against the prisoners which were bro^{t} into this State according to Resolve of Congress. made them out and Sent them to Portsm^{o}, to go by the Post.

Gave a permit to Abraham Knowlton to carry to the Eastward 120 bushels corn.

3. Ordered the R. G to pay Col. Langdon £136–10, for so much advanced to Col. Thornton at Baltimore & Philadelphia, in two payments, & which Col. Thornton has Credited in his account as Delegate at Congress.

This Day Wrote to Col. Peabody to collect his men together & March to Providence, as soon as possible.

4. Ordered the Treasurer to pay Maj^{r} Barker £2–16, for Signing money & mustering Capt Wiggins' Company, as p^{r} his acco^{t}.

Gave Orders to Doct^{r} Silas Hedges to Inlist Continental Soldiers.

Issued Orders to Saml Johnson to Enlist men for Rhode Island, as a Lieu^{t} in Capt Worthen's Company.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Capt Ezekiel Worthen £60, to Inlist men for Rhode Island; also £90, for Lieu^{t} Saml Johnson, & £72 for Ens^{n} Jon^{a} Leavitt, they to account for the Same.

Thursday, April 9th, 1778. The Committee met this day & rec^{d} Petitions & returns of Continental Soldiers, &c.

10. Ordered the R. G. to pay Col. David Webster £2–16–8, for ferriage of his men over Connecticut river, which was omitted in two of his Rolls already past.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Col. David Webster £600, to Inlist men for the Continental Army.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Col^{o} Saml Folsom £600, to Inlist men for the Continental Army.

Ordered Capt Eliph^{t} Giddinge to Muster & pay any men who are Inlisted into the New Hamp^{e} Battalions for three years, or During the war, being presented by the Continental Officers who are ready to March.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Thos Odiorne £26–0–6, for wood, cutting wood, bark, Candles, &c., for the Council and House of Representatives the Winter past.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Jon^{a} Parker, Esqr, High Sheriff of the County of Rockingham, £87–10, for Seizing the Brigantine Prudence, & for Capt Parrot 29 Days taking care of Said Brig, & for night watching 28| as p^{r} acco^{t} rendered.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Capt Elip^{ht} Giddinge Six hundred pounds, to pay the bounty to Continental Soldiers.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Col. Stephen Peabody £56–5, the amo^{t} of his Staff Roll for one month's advance wages, he to account.

On hearing the parties from Epping & Sandwich concerning Moses Page, a Continental Soldier claimed by each Town as one of their Quota of Continental Soldiers, it was Determined that the said Moses Page belongs to Sandwich, as one of their Quota of Continental troops.

April 11*th.*

Ordered the R. G. to pay Col. Supply Clap one thousand pounds, to purchase provision, he to be accountable:

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Capt Nathl Hutchins thirty pounds, to pay Continental bounty, he to be accountable.

Monday, *April* 20*th*, 1778. The Committee met according to Adjournment.

Ordered the R. G. to Let Mr Commissary Leigh have out of the Treasury Forty pounds, for which he is to be accountable.

ordered Capt Eliphalet Giddinge to pay Henry Stevens, Jacob Rice, Alpheus Kingsley, Joseph Wright, Asaph Butler, John Simons & Stephen Dustin, Soldiers in Capt Jason Wait's Company, 20 Dollars each for their Contin^{l} Bounty.

Tuesday, *April* 21*st*, 1778. Ordered the R. G. to let Co$^{l^{o}}$ Samuel Folsom have out of the Treasury Six Hundred pounds, to be Accounted for by him.

ordered the R. G. to pay Zachariah Fowle, for printing for the State to the 2^{d} of April, In^{t}, £49–13–8.

Ordered the R. G. to let Lt Col^{o} Noah Lovewell have out of the Treasury Twelve Hundred pounds, to hire Soldiers for the Continental Service.

Gave Licence to Capt Elisha Woodbury to attend the Court of General Sessions of peace at Portsmouth.

Thomas Dearborn, of Candia, is appointed Lieu^{t} of Capt Ezekiel Worthen's Comp^{y}, raising to guard Rhode Island.

Ordered the R. G. to let Capt James Norris have £100, to be Repaid by him when called for.

Monday, April 27th, 1778. The Committee met according to adjournment & ordered the Treasurer to pay Col. Josiah Bartlet three hundred pounds, to be accountable for.

Ordered the R. G. to pay John Wentworth, Junr, Esqr, three hundred pounds, to be accountable for.

Ordered that four men enlisted by Col. Noah Lovewell, viz: Jonas Perry, Asa Pierce, Henry Kimball & Jno Mitchel, be set down for Candia as part of their Quota of Continental Soldiers, they paying into the Treasury the Sum given them by Col. Lovewell, being £382–0, & the Charges.

Tuesday, 28.

Made out Commissions for Col. Stephen Peabody's officers.

Made out copies for Delegates to Carry to Congress.

Ordered the R. G. to let John Smith, Esqr, have out of the Treasury twenty five pounds, to be accountable for.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Lieu^{t} Jacob Elliot Twenty Eight pounds four Shillings, which is for one month's advance wages for Capt Danl Runnells, Lieu^{t} Bracket Towle, & Lieu^{t} Jacob Elliot, they to be accountable, being officers in Col. Stephen Peabody's Reg^{t}, raised for the Defence of Rhode Island.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Capt Saml Dearborn out of the Treasury Twenty pounds two Shillings, for one month's advance wages for himself, and one for Lieu^{t} Jos. Wheaton, they being officers in Col. Stephen Peabody's Reg^{t}, Raised for the defence of Rhode Island, to be accountable.

Gave a permit to Rebecca Butler, wife of Gillam Butler, to Depart from the State with her children to Rhode Island, or elsewhere.

Also gave a permit to Sarah Cochran, wife of John Cochran, to go to Long Island with her children, after having advertized her Departure three weeks Successively in the New Hamp^{e} Gazettee.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Col. Jacob Gale Twenty Eight pounds Sixteen Shillings, being for his Wages to New York last fall with Col. Drake.

Col. Abraham Drake Settled for the money which he rec^{d} at New York to pay off his Reg^{t}, & paid into the Treasury £55–16.

Monday, May 4th, 1778. made out a Warrant to the Sheriff of the County of Hilsborough to apprehd and confine in Amherst Gaol, John McLaughtin of New Boston.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Solomon Dodge & Jno Gregg Seven pounds four Shillings, for a Journey from New Boston to inform about Jno Mac Glaughlin, a money maker.

Ordered that four men Inlisted by Col. Noah Lovewell, viz: Eben^{r} Williams, William Wilkins, Thos Capron & James Siel, be sett down for Candia as part of their Quota of Continental Soldiers, they paying into the Treasury £398, & the Charges.

May 4th.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Mr Jos. Leigh £165–5–3, to pay for 27c 2q^{r} 5lb flour, which the State borrowed of Commissary Emerson.

May 5th, 1778.

Ordered the R. G. to let the Board of War have out of the Treasury Three Thousand pounds, to be accounted for by them.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Capt Robt Pike four pounds, for two months wages for Phineas Dollof, one of his Soldiers, he being made up in the pay Roll two months Short.

6th. ordered the Treasurer to pay Capt Benjamin Kimball The Sum of Twenty five pounds Ten Shillings, L. M^{y}, for Extra wages allowed by this State, to James Rider & Saml Potter, Soldiers in Capt Wait's Company, in Col. Cilley's Reg^{t}, at 20| p^{r} m^{o} up to Jany ye 1st, 1778, s^{d} Soldiers not having Rec^{d} the State bounty,—£25–10.

Ordered the R. G. to pay John Taylor Gilman £313–16–2, being the ballance of his account with the State for purchasing Cloathing, &c.

Sent by Capt Kimball to the Board of Treasury, accounts of monies advanced by the State to the Continental officers.

Gave permit to Ansel Crosby to Carry to Cape persue, 60 bushels corn, one bb. Pork, & 2 bbs. Cyder.

ordered the R. G. to pay E. Thompson £7–15, for a Journey to Holderness on public Business.

ordered D° to let Col° Nathl peabody have £30, to be accounted for.

Ordered D° to let Noah Emery, Junr, have two hundred pounds, to pay to Soldiers going to Providence, he to be accountable. Advance wages & travel.

Monday, May 11*th*, 1778. Ordered Mr Muster Master Giddinge to Muster men listed in the Continental Service for 2 years only, & pay them 2 thirds of the State Bounty as p^d 3 years' men.

made out & deliv^d Commissions to Capt Ezekiel Worthen, Junr, Lieu^t Thomas Dearborn & Lt Moses Merrill, of Col° Stephen Peabody's Reg^t.

ordered the Rec^r Genl to let Lieu^t Jon^th Leavit have £90, to pay Bounties to men he Enlists for Col° Stephen Peabody's Reg^t, for which he is to account.

13*th*. Ordered R. G. to pay Noah Emery, Junr, £8–12, for the Use of his Room the two last Courts, fire wood, & writing orders to Militia officers.

ordered the R. G. to pay to Col° pierce Long the Balance of his account, amounting to £2–17–9.

ordered D° to let Capt Eliphalet Giddinge have £500, to pay bounties to men he passes muster, for which he is to Acc^t.

Ordered D° to let Mr Joseph Gilman have out of the Treasury £50, for which he is to account.

ordered D° to pay Timothy Chamberlain £4–16, for Service done the State.

desired Capt B. Stone to pay Josiah Comstock, a Soldier in Capt Ellis' Company, his Continental Bounty, he having not received it before, & for him to call on Capt Ellis therefor.

Ordered the R. G. to let Doct^r Silas Hedges have £200, to hire Continental Soldiers, he to be accountable.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Capt Danl McDuffee, in Col. Evans' Reg^t, £490–5–5, being the amount of his Roll.

May 19*th*. ordered the R. G. to pay Capt Ezekiel Worthen

£18, for Enlisting 30 men for R. Island Service, & £20–2, a month's advance pay to himself & Lieu^{t}.

May 23*rd.* ord^{d} the R. G. to Let Mrs^{rs} Peabody and Blanchard have £200, to be account^{d} for.

28*th.* Committee met and had Several matters under Consideration.

29*th.* Ordered the R. G. to pay Capt Enoch Page the Balance of his acc^{t}, being £9–8.

John Dudley, Esqr, p^{d} into the Treas^{ry} £7–10, in behalf of the Parish of Candia, to pay for Continen^{l} Soldiers Cons^{d} as their Quota, and Certificate thereof given him.

Ordered the Rec^{r} General to pay Lt Col^{o} Henry Gerrish his Staff Roll, amounting to £45–7; also his other Roll for £179–17–10.

The Town of Kingstown p^{d} into the Treas^{ry} £154, for the hire of Two Continental Soldiers, viz: Richard Griffin and Jacob Barkhartt, who are to be Esteemed as part of their Quota.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Capt Eliphalet Daniels'^{s} 2 Rolls of his Company, for the months of March & April, amounting to £184–8–8.

ordered Capt Giddinge to pay Geo^{e} Knox, a Continen^{l} Soldier, 20 dollars for his Contin^{l} Bounty.

Ordered the R. G. to let Major White have £400, to pay bounties to men he passes muster, for which he is to account.

May 29*th*, 1778.

Upon reading & considering the Petition of Hannah Henderson, wife of Hugh Henderson, late of Portsmouth, in Said State, now Absconded and gone over to the British Troops at Newport, in the State of Rhode Island,—

Voted that the said Hannah, after giving three weeks public Notice thereof, and Observing such further Rules & Regulations as Shall be directed by the Committee of the Town of Portsmouth, have leave, with her Family, to depart this State, & to proceed directly by Land to General Sullivan's head-Quarters, in said State of Rhode Island, in order to obtain a pass from the commanding Officer there, to go from thence to Newport afores^{d}.

Col° Thomas Bartlett Appointed Muster Master to Capt Simon Marston's Company in Rhode Island Service.

Directed the Board of War to deliver the Stores they are about to Send forward to our Troops in Genl Washington's Camp to Such person who shall be there Instructed by this committee to receive the Same,—but in case no such person should arrive there in Season, to deliver such Stores to Genl Poor, or his order.

Ordered the R. G. to Let Lt Col° Thom^{s} Bartlett have out of the Treasury £144, to muster men Enlisted by Capt Marston which he is to acc^{t} for.

Ordered the R. G. to Let General Nathl Folsom have out of the Treasury £2184, to Send the Militia Col^{s} to raise men for R. Island, to be accounted for by s^{d} Col^{s}.

ord^{d} G. Folsom to order the Militia Col^{s} to Draught 300 men for R. Island Service.

May 30*th*, 1778. Gave to D. Rindge, Esqr, & Capt Peter Cowes, of Portsmouth, a permit to bring home from Connecticut any Baggage belonging to them that may be Sent from Long Island.

upon complaint being made that John Sheppard, Mathew Thornton & others, prisoners in Exeter Goal, had broke out of that department in Said Goal in which they were put, & had endeavour^{d} to make their Escape,—ordered that the Said prisoners be remov^{d} & put into the Strongest rooms in s^{d} Gaol, & that Sheppard & Thornton be put in irons; and upon Examination it appeared that one Hannah Roberson had been Guilty of Conveying Sundry Tools to ye aforemention^{d} prisoners, by means of which they had like to have made their Escape,—where upon it was ordered that the said Hannah be Committed to said Exeter Goal till Discarged by the Genl Assembly, or in their recess, by the Committee of Safety, or by due Course of Law.

Monday, *June* 1*st*, 1778.

The members of the Committee met & Confer^{d} with Mr Leigh to know what Terms he would undertake to serve as Commissary of issues, &c.

Tuesday, *June* 2*d*. John Dudley Chosen Chairman of the Com-

mittee, and Nathl Peabody was appointed Clerk of said Committee, in the absence of Mr Secretary Thompson.

Voted that Mr Joseph Leigh be appointed Commissary, to proceed immediately to that part of the Continental army where the Regiments from this State are Stationed, to take Charge of & issue Such Stores as may from time to time be Sent them from this State, & that he observe Such Instructions as he may at any time receive from the General Assembly, or in their recess, the Committee of Safety, or from the board of war for this State, in regard to any matters Committed to his charge; and that he be allowed & paid for his Service while in Said business Such wages & other allowances as the Commissary of issues for the other New England States, have & receive for similar Services, and is to account for his Conduct in the premises, from time to time, agreable to his Instructions.

wrote to the board of war concerning the appointment of Mr Commissary Leigh; as also Some advice Concerning the Stores for the New Hamp^{r} Troops in the Continental Service—a Copy of which is on file.

Wednesday, 3*d June*. Voted that Thomas Bickford, of Portsmouth, be appointed Commissary of the Matross Company Station^{d} at Portsm^{o}, to serve in the absence of Mr Leigh.

the Committee Confer^{d} with the board of war.

Rec^{d} Letters from Maj^{r} G^{l} Sullivan & Lt Col. Stephen Peabody, dated ye 30th ult^{o}, in favor of Mr Robert McMurphy's being Appointed first Lieu^{t} in Capt Dearborn's Company in said Peabody's Reg^{t}.

The Committee wrote to Col^{o} Benj^{a} Bellows, & Col^{o} Samuel Ashley Concerning the Great want of money in the Treasury, and assured them that if they would advance their own money for paying the Travel, bounty^{s}, & advance wages to the men to be raised in their respective Reg^{ts}, for the Rhode Island Service, they should be intitled to State Notes upon interest from the time they advanced the Same, or have ye money replaced, as they shall choose.

Upon a request from John Sheppard & Mathew Thornton, Prisoners in Exeter Gaol, representing that they were unwell &

pray'd that they might be releas'd from being hand cuff^{d}, The Committee Taking the matter under consideration, voted that the Gaol keeper have liberty to Take said irons off, and that he examine the Goal every day so as to prevent said prisoners from breaking out & making their escape.

gave orders to the gaol keeper to bring Hannah Roberson before the Committee, which orders were complied with and the said Hannah being examined Touching the Cause of her being Committed to Gaol,—and it appearing to the Committee that the said Hannah inadvertantly gave the tools referr^{d} to in her Committment to Sheppard, Therefore ordered the Gaol keeper to discharge ye said Hannah from Gaol, her paying ye prison fees.

rec^{d} a Letter from Govr Trumbull concerning the regulation Bill.

Thursday ye 4th. Ordered the Treasurer & Receiver Genl to pay the Roll of Capt Titus Salter for the month of March, 1778, amounting to Ninety four pounds two Shillings, as passed this day in Committee, £94–2.

The Roll of Capt Titus Salter for the month of April last, examined & allowed, and orders given on the Receiver General to pay the ballance thereof, being Ninety four pounds, £94.

The Roll of Capt T. Salter, for the month of May last, examined & allow^{d}, and an order given on the receiver Genl to pay the ballance thereof, being fifty seven pounds ten shillings & eight pence, £57–10–8.

Ordered the Receiver General to pay to Joseph Leigh, late Commissary of the Matross Company Stationed at Portsmouth, the Sum of Thirty five pounds, he to account for the Same, 35–0.

Examined & Settled the account of Capt Josiah Gilman, as one of the Com^{tee} on Claims, & assisting about the Continental accounts, and gave an order to the Receiver General for the amount thereof, being Seventy six pounds one Shilling, £76–1.

gave Commissary Leigh a Copy of his appointment with some instructions, a Copy of which is on file.

Friday ye 5th. gave orders that the wife of John Sheppard have liberty to visit him in Gaol, being properly Search^{d}.

ordered Titus Salter and Eliphel^{t} Daniels, Cap^{ts} of the Matross Companies Stationed at Portsmouth, to furnish from their respective Companies, Equally, Such number of men, not exceeding Six in the whole at any one time, as shall from time to time be requested of you by the Committee appointed to Collect & Secure the Masts belonging to this State, which men are to be at the direction of said Committee.

1778, *Friday*, *June 5th*. P. M. The Honble Meshech Weare in the Chair.

ordered the Goal keeper to remove John Sheppard and Matthew Thornton to the room where they formerly were in said Gaol.

ordered the Gaol keeper to bring John Roberson & Levi Warner, prisoners in Gaol, before this Committee, in order for examination, pursuant to their petitions requesting the Same, and after a full examination of said prisoners the Committee are of Opinion said prisoners may be liberated from their present Confinement, giving bonds in the Sum of two hundred pounds each, with Sureties, payable to the Chairman of this Committee upon ye usual Condition of liberating such State prisoners.

upon reading and Considering the petition of Leonard Whiting, Joshua Atherton, and Jon^{a} Gove, prison^{s} in the Gaol at Amherst, in the County of Hillsborough, in said State, praying that they mtght be liberated, &c.,—

Voted that the said prisoners be liberated from their present Close Confinement, Provided they Severally recognize before some Justice of ye peace within and for said County, in the Sum of one thousand pounds *each*, with two Sufficient Surties in the Sum of five hundred pounds each, for the use of the Government and people of said State, &c., Conditioned that they, the said prisoners, Shall personally appear before the Justices of the Superior Court of Judicatu^{r}, next to be Holden by adjournment at Amherst, within & for said County, on Monday, the 21st day of September next, to answer to all such matters and things as may then and there be Objected against them on behalf of the Government and people of said State, more Especially on account of their being Concerned in fabricating Certain false and Counterfeit notes, and bills in imitation of the good and true notes and bills of Credit

emitted by the Authority of the late Colony of New Hampshire, or of the State of New Hampshire, the united States of America, or any or Either of them, and uttering and passing the same false and Counterfeit bills and Notes, and shall do and receive, abide and perform the Order and Sentence of said Court Concerning them respectively, and shall not Depart without Licence; And shall also Severally give bond in due form, for the Sum of one thousand pounds each, payable to the Honorable Meshech Weare, Chairman of the Committee of Safety, in trust for the use of the Government and people of said State of New Hampshire, with two sufficient Sureties each, Conditioned that they shall be good and faithful Subjects of said State, and remain within the limits of said County of Hillsborough, and shall neither do, or say anything against the independence of the united States of America, nor in favour of the Claims of the King of Great brittain upon said States, or either of them, and that they shall not, either directly or indirectly, hold Correspondance with, give aid and assistance or comfort to any of the Subjects or Abettors of the said King of Great Britain, for the term of one full Year next Comming.

Saturday, June 6th. upon reading & Considering the petition of William Torry, Esqr, of Portm^{o}, as on file,—

Voted that s^{d} Torry be permitted to proceed immediately from said portsmouth to a place Called Yarmouth, or Cape Freschu in Nova Scotia, to pursue his lawful business and Secure his interest there, and to return from thence as soon as may be, & permit given accordingly, Inclosed in a letter to the Committee of Portsm^{o}.

Mr Joseph Gilman appointed to repair to the State of the Mass^{a} bay to obtain knowledge how & in what manner their Continental accounts are Charged, authenticated & sent forward.

ordered the Receiver Genl to pay Mr Joseph Gilman four Hundred pounds, he to be accountable for the Same, £400.

Examined & settled the account of Col^{o} Moses Kelly, Sheriff of the County of Hillsborough, Concerning the New York Tories, amounting in all to £715–1–6, & ordered the Treasurer and Reciv^{r} G. to pay the ballance thereof, being thirty pounds one Shilling & Six pence, as p^{r} ye acc^{t} on file will appear, 30–1–6.

Examined & Settled the account Eph^{m} Barker, under keeper of the Gaol in Amherst, for boarding Jon^{a} Gove, John Holland, Josh^{a} Atherton and Leonard Whiting, while prisoners in said Gaol, & Ordered the Receiver Gen. to pay the Same, being fifty four pounds Eleven Shillings and seven pence, as p^{r} acc^{t} on file, £64–11–7.

Thursday, *June* 18*th*, 1778. The Committee met this Day. Ordered the R. G. to pay Col^{o} Supply Clap fifteen hundred pounds, he to account for the Same.

The Com^{tee} gave orders to Col. Nicholas Gilman to deliver Col. Clap the corn which Mr Wheeler left in his Store, taking his Rec^{t} for the Same.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Mr Davenport Phelps, Q. Mast^{r} to Col. David Hobart's Reg^{t}, £69–16–8, Due to s^{d} Reg^{t} for parts of Rations Certified by ord^{r} of Co^{l} Winship & Com^{y} Genl, N. Department.

Permitted Capt Jon^{a} Dillaway, a Prisoner & a native of Boston, to return home.

Permitted Capt Hugh Hunter, a Prisoner & a Native of Portsmouth, to be at liberty about his lawful business.

Ordered the R. G. to pay the Roll of Capt Eliph^{t} Daniels, amounting to 94–2–0, to the first of June.

Permitted the Schooner Beever, Henry Cogin, Mast^{r}, to Carry to Cape Forsue 70 bush^{ls} corn, 4 bb^{s} Cyder & one bb. pork.

Fryday, *June* 19, 1778.

Gave a pass to Co^{l} Gordon Hutchins to go to Virginia.

Gave orders to Col. Clap to send of the prisoners now at Portsm^{o} to Providence, to be exchanged for our men at New Port.

Wrote to Genl Sullivan & to Lieu^{t} Jon. Leavit to take Charge of the Prisoners.

The Committee passed a Resolve that no french men be Suffered to go on board Privateers belonging to other States, out of this State.

Monday, *June* 22*d*.

not members enough to make a Committee.

Tuesday, 23*d June*. The Committee appointed John Simpson, of Deerfield, second Lieu^{t} in Capt Simon Mastin's Company, Lieu^{t} Col. Stephen Peabody's Reg^{t}, for the Rhode Island Service.

Ordered the Receiver Genl to pay Capt. Simon Mastin Twelve pounds, being one month's advance wages, to be accountable for the same, £12.

Ordered the Treasurer & R. G. to pay Lieu^{t} John Simpson Eight pounds Two Shillings, being one month's advance pay, to be accountable Therefor, £8–2.

Appointed Dudley Prescot second Lieu^{t} of Capt Ezekiel Worthen's Company.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Capt Noah Worcester £17–0, being the ballance of his Account.

Wednesday, *June* 24*th*, 1778. Licenced Nathaniel Sherburne, of Portsmouth, to go with a Flagg of truce to Halifax to carry Necessaries and to endeavour to Effect the Release of prisoners there, and wrote to the Commanding Naval Officer at Halifax on the Subject.

ordered the R. G. to pay the Acc^{t} of Francis Blood, amounting to £2–4–0, for holding meetings in Towns, by order of Court.

Tuesday, *June* 30*th*. The Committee Conferred upon Sundry matters.

Wednesday, *July* 1*st*. ordered that the Receiver Genl pay to Ebenez^{r} Green, Esq., Two hundred pounds for him to deliver to Major Jon^{a} Child, of Lyme, to be by him accounted for as one of the Muster Masters of Continental Soldiers in this State, £200.

The Committee appointed Robert McMurphy first Lieutenant of Capt. Samuel Dearborn's Company, & Lt Col. Stephen Peabody's Reg^{t}, at Rhode Island, and gave him a Commission.

ordered the Receiver General to pay said L^{t} McMurphy Eight pounds two Shillings, being one month's advance pay, he to account for the Same, £8–2.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Noah Emery, Esqr, £23–14–9, being the ballance of his account, Settled this day.

Wednesday, *ye* 1*st of July*, 1778. The Committee upon read-

ing and Considering the petition of Capt Elisha Woodbery, of Salem, praying to be liberated, &c.,—

Voted That a Letter be Sent to the Selectmen & Committee of said Town, Notifying them that Said woodbery was to be heard upon s^{d} Petition on Thursday ye 9th Instant, &c.

also gave a permit for said woodbery to appear before the Committee at the Time above mentioned, &c.

rec^{d} a Letter from Col^{o} Bedell, & wrote an answer, as on file.

Settled the accounts of Lieu^{t} Nute & allow^{d} him £54, for the Continental bounties of nine Soldiers Inlisted by him & mustered by Col. Baker, & said Nute paid £6–0–0, to the Receiver Genl, being the ballance of s^{d} account, £6–0.

Thursday, July 2d. Mr Odiorne laid before the Committee a Letter from Mr Commissary Grout, representing that Some of the State beef in his hand was in danger of being lost, &c., upon which the Committee directed Mr Odiorne to write Mr Grout desiring him to dispose of such parts of said Beef as he shall Judge expedient for the good of the State, and account for the proceeds thereof.

Examined and Considered the account of Capt Simeon Ladd, and allow'd the ballance thereof, being £113–7–0, and gave an order on the Receiver Genl for the payment thereof, £113–7.

Fryday, ye 3d of July. The Com^{tee} wrote the delegates for this State at Congress as follows, viz:

Gentlemen—Many Cogent reasons have determined the minds of the legislative authority of this State against further Emissions of money, and to check the money already Emitted, which by frequent demands for money, and large Sums already advanced on account of the united States, has so far Exhausted our Treasury that we are under the disagreeable Necessity of Requesting your assistance in applying to Congress for a Grant of 200,000 Dollars, or Such other Sum of Money as may be adjudged Expedient, and Sent on to this State as soon as Such Grant may be obtained. By order of the Committee, &c.

Transmitted a Copy of a Resolve of Congress respecting an Embargo upon Provisions, &c., to the Maritime officer at Portsm^{o}, with directions to observe the Same.

Given a Commission to Capt Peter Drowne, & to Stephen Jones Thos as his first Lieu^{t}, and to Jos. Randall as his Second Lieu^{t}, under Col. Stephen Peabody, at Providence.

Thursday, July 9th.

The Com^{tee} met & gave an ord^{r} on the Treasurer to pay Col. Jos^{a} Wentworth £180, to pay bounty, travel, &c., to men going to Providence.

9. Ordered the R. G. to let the Board of War have five thousands pounds, to be accountable, £5000.

The Committee Liberated Capt Elisha Woodbury from his Confinement to the Town of Salem, he having taken the oath of fidelity to the States.

10. Appointed a Committee, by request of Col. Hobart, to examine the powder at the powder Mill, in order to have it removed to the magazine, viz: Capt Josiah Moulton & Col^{o} Saml Folsom.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Jno W^{d} Gilman 56| for marking & numbering 112 Continental Arms.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Ichabod Shaw Davis £6–12, for mending 11 Continental fire arms.

Fryday, July 17th, 1778.

The Committee met. Received a Letter by Esq. Clough from Th^{o} James Douglas, Esq., assistant to the purchasing Com^{y} for the N. D., upon which the Committee issued a recommendation to the people, as on file.

18*th.* upon reading & Considering ye petition of Sol^{o} Rider, of Argile, gave him a permit to Carry 100 Bushels of corn to Said Argile, &c., a Copy of which is on file.

The Committee upon hearing and Considering the Petition of John Roberson, of Thornton, & upon his giving bond as on file, & Taking & Subscribing the Oath of fidelity to the State, Gave him a permit to Go home, & ordered the Gaol keeper to release Said Roberson from Confinement.

18*th.* Ordered the Treasurer to let Jno Taylor Gilman have out of the Treasury £50, to pay the wounded Soldiers, who are allowed half pay, he to be accountable.

Fryday, July 24th.

Settled with Col. Jos^{a} Wentworth for £180, which he received to pay bounty, travel, &c., to Drafted men going to Providence; he paid the ballance, being £12–4, to the Treasurer.

Ordered the Keeper of the Gaol in Exeter to receive into Custody & Safe keeping one Joshua Jenness, a Deserter, for the Continental Army, & ordered the receiver Genl to pay Lieut. William Wallis five pounds Two Shillings, for his Expenses in Taking up and Committing the above Named Joshua Jenness to Gaol, £5–2.

ordered the Receiver Genl to pay Daniel Hoit, Ensign of Capt Enoch Page's Company, & Col^{o} Senter's Reg^{t}, for Rhode Island, in ye year 1777, The Sum of five pounds Twelve Shillings, being the ballance of his account this day Settled, as on file, £5–12.

Settled the account of Lieu^{t} Jacob Blasdel, of the above Said Capt Page's Company, & Ballanced the Same by 32| s^{d} Blasdel paid to the Receiver Genl, £1–12.

Jonathan Hilton, an inlisted Soldier in the afores^{d} Capt E. Page's Company and did not join the Army, paid the Treasurer & R. G. £7–4–7, being the bounty he rec^{d} of the State.

Saturday, July 25th. upon the Request of Mr Joseph Boyd, of pernaquid, Gave a permit to the maritime officer to Clear out for ye Said Boyd Sixty bushels of Bread Corn, it being for the relief of the inhabitants of said pernaquid.

Ordered the Receiver Genl to Let the board of War for this State have Ten Thousand pounds, L. M^{y}, out of the Treasury, to be accountable for, £10,000.

Gave a permit to Abraham Knowlton, of Barrington, in Nova Scotia Gov^{t}, to return home with his Schooner, he having bro^{t} in three prisoners who had made their Escape from the Enemy, & bro^{t} 125 Quintels of fish for the inhabitants of this State; also, Gave him a permit to Go & bring more fish.

The memorial of Doc^{tr} Caleb G. Adams & others Concerning the prisoners Taken from on board the Portsmouth Privateer, &c., Read, and the memorialist heard thereon.

Monday, July 27th, 1778. The Committee met on a Special Summons from the Chairman and Spent this day in Considering

on Letters Received from Genl Sulivan, requesting recruits from the State for his Army.

Tuesday, *July* 28*th*, 1778.

Reassumed the Consideration of Genl Sullivan's Letters and agreed to send off Col^{o} Gilman to Rhode Island State to wait on General Sullivan and endeavour to gain some Necessary Information, prior to any attempt to raise the Militia.

Monday, *August* 3*rd*, 1778. The Committee met, & Col^{o} Gilman being returned, it was determined to write to Several of the Militia Col^{s}, viz: Wentworth, Evans, Moulton, Gilman, Gale, McClary, Stickney, Webster, Thornton, Nichols, & Hale, requesting them to raise as many Voluntiers as possible and Send them with all Speed to join General Sullivan at Rhode Island, (a Copy on file.) Also, wrote to Genl Whipple directing him to take the command of the Voluntiers, &c. ; received his answer which is on file.

ordered the Receiver General to pay the Account of Capt Josiah Moulton, for taking care of Powder, & other Services, amounting to Four pounds Two Shillings.

Gave leave to Dr Gove, of New Boston, to Visit as a Physician, Col^{o} Robt Moore, of Londonderry.

Ordered the Rec^{r} Genl to pay the Roll of Capt Eliph^{t} Daniel, for the Month of June, amounting to £93–0–5.

Ordered the Receiver General to pay the Roll of Capt Elip^{t} Daniel, amounting to £93–12, for the month of July.

Ordered Mr Clapp, Commissary of prisoners, to permit one Benjamin Harrington, a prisoner at Portsmouth, to take private lodging on his parole.

Wednesday, *Aug.* 4*th*, 1778. Ordered the Rec^{r} General to let Maj^{r} Gains have one hundred & Twenty five pounds, to be accounted for by him.

Ordered the R. G. to pay E. Pickering's Acc^{t}, being £1–16.

Ordered the R. G. to Charge the State with 29–9–6, being the Amount of his account for a Journey to Providence & Sundry Expresses sent off by the Com^{tee}, &c.

Gave orders to the Board of war to deliver fire arms to the Volunteers going to Province, & take Receipts.

Aug. 22d. the Committee met & wrote to Col° Bellows about confining Levi Warner.

Wednesday, Aug't 26th, 1778. The Committee met, &c.

Thursday, Aug't 27th, 1778.

Gave a Permit to the Schooner Lively, Nathan Weston, Master, to purchase 70 or 80 Bushels of Corn in this State, & to carry the Same to Cape pursue, in Nova Scotia.

Settled and Balanced the Account of Col° John Hurd, he having paid a Balance of £216–1–7 to the Treasurer of this State.

Directed the Board of War to keep a Regular Account of the Supplies they may deliver to the Troops at Rhode Island, that the Same may be laid as Stoppages in the Rolls that may hereafter be made up, to pay them for their Services at such just & Adequate prices as may here after be determined by the General Assembly.

Ordered the R. G. to pay the Selectmen of Kensington £170, for the Bounties of 17 men gone from s^d^ Town as Volunters to Rhode Island.

ordered the R. Genl to pay Thom^s^ Bartlett, One of the Selectmen of Nottingham, £150, for the advance to 15 Volunteers gone from s^d^ Town to Rhode Island, & Interest from the time of advance payment, if before the first of Jany next.

Friday, Aug't 28th, 1778.

Upon reading the Petition of Several Persons, Inhabitants of New Boston, ordered that the Revd Solomon Moore, Minister of New Boston, Complained of in s^d^ Petition, be cited to appear before the Committee on the 4th of Sep^tr^ next, at 3 o'Clock in the Afternoon, to answer s^d^ petition.

directed the Board of War to sell the flour & Rice belonging to the State, at such Rate as Merchants who deal on honour would Sell the Same if it was their own private property, reserving 1 Tun of flour & as much Rice as they Judge necessary for the use of the State.

Capt Blunt, of New Castle, appointed to remove a Barrack from fort Hancock to the light house in s^{d} New Castle.

Tuesday, Septem'r 1st, 1778.

The Committee met by a Special Summons from the Chairman, in Consequence of a Letter from General Sullivan for a Reinforcement of men at Rhode Island.

permit given to Abraham Knowlton, of Barrington, in Nova Scotia, to sell his Cargo, (as entered at the Maritime office in Portsmouth,) buy Corn & proceed home.

Ordered the R. G. to let Capt Jno Blunt have £50, to enable him to remove a Barrack at New Castle, according to Vote of G. Assembly, to be accounted for by him.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Richd Jorden £27, for 6 reams of paper for the use of the State.

Wednesday, Sep'tr 2d, 1778. Ordered the R. G. to pay the Selectmen of Raymond one Hundred & Seventy Pounds, for Advance paid Seventeen men, Voluntiers to R. Island.

Sent a Citation to Capt Henry Nutter to appear before the Committee to-Morrow, at 3 'Clock P. M., to answer the Comp^{ts} of Capt Nathan Weston.

Ordered the R. G. to pay the Selectmen of Derryfield £40, for advance to 4 men, Voluntiers to R. Island.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Woodbury Langdon £65, for his Acc^{t} for Naval Stores for the State.

Thursday, Septem'r 3d, 1778. Ordered the R. G. to pay John Dudley, Esqr, 52| for the Extra advance pay of the Serg^{ts}, Corporals & Drummers of Capt Joseph Dearborn's Comp^{y}, raised for to re-inforce the Army at Ticonderoga, in 1776, & was omitted to be paid at that time by said Dudley, as Muster master.

ordered the R. G. to pay the Roll of Capt Titus Salter, Amounting to £65–12, for the month of August.

Friday, Sep'tr 4th.

Ordered the Board of War to Deliver Col. Supply Clap about half tun flour, for the use of our Troops at Portsm^{o}.

Ordered R. G^{l} to pay Simeon Ladd £100, he to be accountable.

ordered the Gaol keeper at Exeter to Liberate from Confinement John Shepard, a Prisoner in his Custody, s^d^ Shepard having given Bond, with Sureties, to remain in the Town of New Holderness, be a Good Subject, &c.

ordered Ditto to Liberate from Confinement Joshua Jenness, a Continental Soldier.

Ordered the R. G. to let John T. Gilman have out of the Treas^ry^ £100, to pay pensioners of the United States, to be Accounted for by him.

Saturday, Sep'r 5th, 1778.

Ordered the R. G. to let Ms^s^ Blanchard & Peabody, agents for the State, have Two Hundred & Twenty pounds, to be accounted for.

ordered the R. G. to pay the Selectmen of Hampton falls £130, for advance to 13 men, Voluntiers to R. Island, and Inter^t^ from the advance.

ordered the R. G. to pay the Acc^ts^ of Nathl Folsom, amounting to £244–9–8, for his Service at Congress.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Capt Josiah Moulton 30| for going express to Portsmouth.

Wednesday, Septem'r 9th. The Committee were Summoned together by the Chairman, in consequence of a letter from G. Sullivan.

Thursday, Sep'r 10th. ordered the R. G. to pay the Roll of Capt Eliph^t^ Daniel for the Month of Septem^r^, amounting to £76–8–10.

Ordered the R. G. to pay £242–0–11, the Acc^t^ of the Committee for taking care of New York Tories.

Wrote to Mr William Gardner, Dy^r^ Cloth^r^ for the Contin^t^, to Let the Board of War have what Cloathing for our Troops they shall request.

Gave permit to the Schooner Speedwell, Nath. Jinkley, master, to sail to Mechias on a trading Voyage.

Ordered the R. G. to pay the Selectmen of the Parish of Hawke £150, for advance to fifteen Volunteers to Rhode Island & Interest from the 7th of august, the time of advance.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Joseph Mills, a Voluntier, omitted to be made up in Col° Moulton's Rolls, £9–3–6.

ordered the R. G. to pay E. Thompson, for John Leigh, a Voluntier, omitted in Col° Moulton's Roll, £8–17–6.

12. Ordered the R. G. to pay Thos Bickford forty pounds, to be accounted for out of his Wages as Commissary.

ordered the R. G. to pay Col° Jon^a Moulton £129–5, for advance to 11 men raised & paid by him for R. I., in Col° Peabody's Reg^t, and four pounds for his time, Expences, &c., with Interest from time of advance, being first of June.

Appointed Col° Nichols, Mr Underwood & Maj^r Chase to take an Inventory & possession of the Estate of Sarah Lutwytche, D^e.

Friday, *September* 18, 1778.

Sent Additional Instructions to the Committee who were appointed to take possession of the Estate of the late Mrs Lutwytche, to brake Locks, &^c., to get possession of the Goods.

Ordered the R. G. to Discount with the Selectmen of Litchfield, £100 out of their Taxes, for 10 men's advance paid by them to Voluntiers in the Expedition against Rhode Island.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Daniel Jones £6–7–0, and Peter Folsom £1–16, for repairing Exeter Gaol.

Ordered the Re^r G. to pay the Selectmen of Epping £330, for advance to 33 men, Voluntiers In the Expedition to Rhode Island.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Capt Moses Leavit £113, to ballance his account procuring Continental Soldiers.

Saturday, *Septem'r* 19*th*, 1778. Ordered the R. G. to let Col° Samuel Folsom have out of the Treasury £100, to be accounted for in his expenses to philadelphia.

Ordered the R. G. to Let Col° Folsom have out of the Treasury all the Bills of the New York Emission, to carry there to get exchanged.

Thursday, *Septemb'r* 24*th*, 1778.

The Committee met & Settled with Col. Peabody for 13 Volunteers Raised in Atkinson for Providence.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Col. Nathl Peabody £130, for 13

Volunteers who marched from Atkinson to Providence by ord^{r} of the Selectmen of Atkinson.

Upon Complaint made to the Com^{tee} by Nathl Hovey of Rethan, in the County of Grafton, that Sundry Persons in said County had, with force of arms, on the 2^{d} of September last, Seized his body & imprisoned him, & taken & carried away all his wearing apparel, Household Goods, Provisions, &c., the Com^{tee} Issued out a Warrant to apprehend Jno Lassel, Nehemiah Estabrook, Nathl Bicknell, Jno Lyman, Elias Lyman, Elisha Bingham, Ezra Perkins, Benj^{a} Rowell, Elihu Colley, Timothy Owen, Danl Owen, & Nathl Storrs, & bring them to Exeter to be examined & Dealt with as may seem Just & necessary.

Ordered the R. G. to let Jon^{a} Blanchard & Nathl Peabody, Esq^{rs}, Agents for the State, have out of the Treasury £150–0, they to be accountable for the same.

Ordered the R. G. to pay the Selectmen of Deering £100, being for ten Volunteers raised to Reinforce Genl Sullivan at Providence.

Also, to pay the Selectmen of Hillsborough £80, for Eight Volunteers to march to Providence as afores^{d}.

Also, to pay the Selectmen of Kingston £180, for Eighteen Volunteers who marched as afores^{d}.

This Day the Committee made an agreement with Col^{o} Hobart about making powder for the State, which agreement is on file.

Thursday, Octob'r 1, 1778. The Com^{tee} Ordered the Board of Warr to do all in their power forthwith to have the Troops belonging to this State Cloathed according to the Engagements of the State & the Resolves of the Continental Congress, that they may receive all deficiencies due to them for the last two years.

October 1. Ordered the R. G. to pay the Selectmen of Canterbury £140, for fourteen Volunteers who marched to Reinforce Genl Sullivan at Rhode Island.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Maj^{r} Wm White £122–11–1, being the Ballance of his acco^{t} for mustering & paying Continental Soldiers.

The Com^{tee} wrote to Col. Clap, Desiring him to Deliver the Board of Warr a sufficient number of Suits of Cloaths for the Troops belonging to this State; also, gave the Board of Warr an order on Col. Clap, requiring him to Deliver the Same.

Received a letter from Genl Whipple, Signifying his intention to go to Congress, & returned an answer.

Ordered the R. G. to let General Whipple have out of the Treasury Six hundred pounds, he to be accountable.

October 9th, 1778.

The Com^{tee} met & ordered the R. G. to pay Jos. Abbot, esq^{r}, £3–6–0, for apprehending Saml Bradford for Counterfeiting money, but on trial he was Cleared.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Doc^{tr} Silas Hedges £287–17, being the Ballance of his acco^{t} for hireing five Continental Soldiers.

Ordered the Board of War to Send to our Troops at Providence a Number of Shoes, not exceeding 280 p^{r}; also, a number of Stockens, Sug^{r}, Coffee, Chocolate, &c.

By Virtue of an ord^{r} from this Com^{tee} on Col. Clap, the Board of Warr rec^{d} of Col. Clap some Cloathing, but by a Resolve of Congress, Dated last may, which the Continental Agent sent the Com^{tee}, which forbid the Agent to Deliver any Continental Stores but by orders of Congress, the Com^{tee} tho^{t} best to write to the Board of Warr to redeliver said Cloathing.

The Com^{tee} appointed Capt Josiah Moulton & Maj^{r} Philbrook to examine the Powder at the Powder Mill, in order to have it removed to the Magazine.

Ordered Doc^{r} Josiah Gilman to Deliver Col^{o} Samuel Hobart 3 Small casks Salt Peter, now in his possession, belonging to this State, & all the powder casks.

Thursday, Octob'r 15. The Committee met & ordered the Treasurer to pay Genl Whipple four hundred pounds, he to be accountable, £400–0.

Octob'r 16th. Gave order to the Maritime officer to Clear out Isaac Stanwood for Ipswich, with 100 bush^{ls} Corn.

Ordered the R. G. to pay the Selectmen of Candia £240–0, for 24 Volunteers who marched to Reinforce Genl Sullivan.

Ordered the Maritime officer to Clear out John Hinkley for Kennebeck River with 31 bush^{ls} corn, 6 bush^{ls} petatoes, 7 D^{o} turnips, & 1 bush^{l} beans.

Also, to permit Minor Daniels, Master of the Schooner Peggy & Molley, to Sail for Machias, & to carry 80 bushels corn & 100 bush^{l} petatoes.

Ordered the R. G. to charge the State with the amount of his account for Summoning the Com^{tee} to meet, being £4–18.

Settled the account of Capt Eliph^{t} Giddinge, for mustering & paying Continental Soldiers. Ballance Due to the State, £159–14–11, he paid into the Treasury.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Capt Titus Salter £59–16, being the amount of his Roll for Septemb^{r}.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay the Roll of Capt Eliph^{t} Daniels, amounting to £69–4, for the month of Septemb^{r}.

Thursday, October 22d. the Com^{tee} met & Permitted Robert Barton to carry 100 bushels corn to Falmouth, in Casco Bay.

Ordered Col. Saml Folsom to Deliver the Receiver Genl the money he bro^{t} from Philadelphia, being 150 thousand Dollars.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Col. Folsom fifteen Dollars, for so much he paid for exchanging money in the State of New York.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Jonathan Cilley £17–19–10, for his expenses coming from Danbury, Express.

23d. This Day Col. Saml Folsom Delivered the Com^{tee} an ord^{r} on the Loan office of this State for fifty thousand Dollars, which he brought from Philadelphia, Dated Octob^{r} 6th, 1778.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Maj^{r} Saml Philbrook £8–8–0, for transporting 54 barrells powder from the Powder Mill in Exeter to the Magazine.

Permitted Capt Pearce to Sail for Townsend & to carry 80 bushels corn.

Ordered the R. G. to let the Board of War have out of the Treasury £10,000, they to be accountable.

Permitted the Wife of Capt Jno Frazier to go on board the Flag, lately arrived at Portsmouth from N. York, to attend her husband, he being Sick, & not to return without a license from this Com^{tee}, or the Genl Court.

Permitted Mrs Ryrn to go on board the Flagg to proceed to N.

York to her husband, with her furniture, She advertizing & paying all Demands.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Capt Josiah Moulton forty Shillings, for himself & horse one Day examining and weighing 54 barrells powder.

Permitted Ann Fisher, with her 4 Children & 2 Servants, & Baggage, to proceed from Portsm^{o} to New London in Connecticut, to meet her husband, Jno Fisher, Esqr, in ord^{r} to go to England.

Novem'r 2d, 1778. Saml Abbott and Oliver Parker, ag^{ts} whom A Warr^{t} Issued, being apprehended on Suspicion of passing Counterfeit Money, were Examined before the Committee and committed to prison.

Nov'r. 5. Ordered the R. G. to pay Maj^{r} John Goffee £120, for twelve Volunteers who marched from Bedford to reinforce Genl Sullivan at Rhode Island.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Col. Moses Nicholls Three hundred & thirty pounds, for so much advanced to 33 Volunteers who marched from Amherst to Reinforce Genl Sullivan at Rhode Island.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Col. Moses Kelley £290, for so much advanced by the Selectmen of Goffstown to 29 Volunteers who march'd to reinforce Gen. Sullivan at Providence.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Jeremiah Page, Esqr, one hundred & twenty pounds, for so much advanced to 12 Volunteers who march'd from Dunbarton to Reinforce Genl Sullivan at Rhode Island.

Nov. 7th, 1778. Sent a mittimus to Mr Ladd, Goal keeper, to Receive into Custody Richd Peck of Marlow, Suspected of receiving & passing Counterfeit Money.

Ordered the R. G. to pay James Betton, Esqr, Seventy pounds, with Interest from 6th of Augs^{t} last, for so much advanced by the Selectmen of Windham to Seven Volunteers who went to Rhode Island to reinforce Genl Sullivan.

Ordered the R. G. to pay James Gibson, Esqr, £150, with Interest from the 5th of Augs^{t} last, for so much advanced by Select-

men of Pelham to 15 Volunteers who went to Rhode Island to reinforce Gen[l] Sullivan.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Joshua Haines Eighty pounds, for so much advanced by the Selectmen of Greenland to Eight Volunteers who march'd to reinforce Gen[l] Sullivan at Rhode Island.

Nov'r 7. Ordered the R. G. to pay James Merril £140, for so much advanced by the Selectmen of Poplin to 14 Volunteers who went to Rhode Island.

Ordered the R. G. to pay James Marden £120, for so much advanced by the Selectmen of Barrington to 12 Volunteers who went to Rhode Island.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Cap[t] Jn[o] Blunt £130, for so much advanced by the Selectmen of Rye to 13 Volunteers who march'd to Rhode Island.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Jos. Rounsevel, Esq[r], £60, for so much advanced by the Selectmen of Washington to 6 Volunteers who went to Rhode Island.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Cap[t] Stephen Herriman £230, for so much advanced by the Selectmen of Hopkinton to 23 Volunteers who went to Rhode Island.

24*th*. ordered the R. G. to pay Cap[t] Sam[l] Shackford £60–0–0, for so much advanced by the Selectmen of Newington to Six Volunteers who went to Rhode Island.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Jos. Hobbs £140–0–0, for so much advanced by the Selectmen of Northhampton to fourteen Volunteers who march'd to Reinforce Gen[l] Sullivan at Rhode Island.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Cap[t] Benj[a] Mann £230, for so much advanced by the Selectmen of Mason to 23 Volunteers who went to Rhode Island.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Col[o] Jn[o] Webster £170, for so much advanced by the Selectmen of Chester to 17 Volunteers to Rhode Island.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Cap[t] Jn[o] Calef £170, for so much advanced by the Slectmen of Hampstead to 17 Volunteers to Rhode Island.

Decem'r 7th, 1778. Ordered the R. G. to pay the Roll of Cap[t] William Lee, amounting to £405–6–8.

8th. Ordered the R. G. to pay Col. Joshua Wentworth Two hundred & ninety pounds, for so much advanced to 29 Volunteers who march'd to Reinforce Genl Sullivan at Rhode Island, Decem^{r} 8th.

Ordered the R. G. to pay the account of Col. David Hobart, amounting to £12–3; also, the acco^{t} of Jon^{a} Robins, amounting to £36–13, for apprehending & bringing to Exeter from New Holderness, Jno Tylor, a Continental Soldier belonging to Capt Benj^{a} Stone's Company, 48–16.

ordered the R. G. to pay the Balance of the Account of Col^{o} Saml Folsom, amounting to £138–13–5.

Wednesday, Decem'r 9th, 1778.

Settled and fully adjusted the Account of the Board of War with this State to this day, & there remains a Balance due from s^{d} Board to the State of five Thousand Seven Hundred & forty four pounds Eighteen Shillings and Six pence one farthing, £5744–18–6¼.

ordered the R. G. to Let Capt Joseph Traonice, a frenchman, Express from Canada to Genl Gates, have Twenty Dollars to bear his expenses to Boston.

ordered the R. G. to pay Maj^{r} Gains the Additional Staff Roll of Col^{o} Pierce Long, amounting to £46–16.

Ordered the R. G. to pay John T. Gilman £35–2, for 39 days Service in Committee on Claims to this time.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Capt Eliphalet Giddinge, for Eben^{r} Smith, Esqr, £26–15–2, as a Voluntier to Saratoga, and 0–19–4 for Victuals for Deserters apprehended by Mr Huntoon.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Thomas Odiorne £4–10, for a load of Bark for the Committee.

Ord^{r} the R. G. to pay Saml Brooks, for Writing out Precepts £2.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Simeon Ladd, for boarding Prisoners, &c., to the 6th Ins^{t}, £155–2.

Also, the Roll of Capt Salter, amounting to 56–19, for Novem^{r}.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Jos. Lamson 36| for Summoning Sundry persons to appear before the Committee.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Ens^{n} Jos. Boynton £6, for apprehending & bringing to Exeter Goal two Deserters.

Ordered the R. G. to pay the Selectmen of Seabrook £60, for Six Volunteers who marched to Rhode Island.

Ordered the Board of Warr to Deliver Mr Simeon Ladd, Goal keeper, four blankets for the use of the soldiers in Goal.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Mr Joseph Gilman two hundred pounds, he to be accountable.

Decemb'r 24. Ordered the R. G. to pay the Selectmen of Nottingham west £180, for Eighteen Volunteers to Rhode Island.

ordered the R. G. to pay the Selectmen of Temple £200, for 20 Voluntiers in the Rhode Island Expedition.

Decem'r 26*th*. Ordered the R. G. to pay the Selectmen of New Ipswich, for Thirty one Volunteers to Rhode Island, £310.

ordered the R. G. to pay the Selectmen of Marlborough, for 14 Volunteers to Rhode Island, £140.

January 5*th*, 1779. The Committee met, and ordered one John Chandler of Boscawen, to deliver to Mary Thornton, wife of Matthew Thornton, now in Exeter Gaol, a Sleigh belonging to said Thornton, in his Custody.

January 6*th*, 1779. ordered the Naval Officer to permit one Thomas Leighton of Goldsborough, in the State of Mass^{tts} Bay, to carry out of the port of Piscataqua 30 Bushels of Corn.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Capt Titus Salter his Roll, amounting to £68–17–4.

Ordered the Naval Officer to permit the Schooner Rachel, Isaac Snow, master, to export for the New Meadows 30 Bushels of Corn & 1000^{lb} of meat.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay the Selectmen of Londonderry Thirty one pounds six Shillings & Six pence, the expence of said Selectmen in Securing col^{o} Holland's Estate.

Jany. 7*th*. Ordered the Receiver General to pay Col^{o} Joshua Wentworth & Joseph Gilman, Committee for receiving votes for the Councillors in the County of Rockingham, £8–2.

Ordered the Naval Officer at Portsmouth to permit Joseph Wallace to Export for Nauquagus, in the State of the Massachusetts Bay, 50 Bushels of Corn, and Isaac Bunker 14 Bushels for mount desart.

John Clark, John Moore & William Core, all of Londonderry, were bro't before the Committee charged with being concerned in passing, aiding or abetting persons in passing Counterfeit money, who were heard and the Evidence against them, and were then directed to give Bonds for their good behaviour, & to remain in the s^d^ Town of Londonderry, and recognise with Sureties to answer at the next Superior Court, & pay Costs to the Committee & Constable of Londonderry; all which was Obeyed & the said persons discharged.

January 8th. A Petition from a number of the Inhabitants of the County of Grafton being Exhibited to this Committee, complaining of their being harrassed by a power usurped in that town, not derived from the authority of new Hampshire, and praying redress, upon which the Committee passed a Resolve, which is on file, and delivered a Copy to Mr Downer, who presented the petition.

Ordered the R. G. to let Col° Theophilus Dame have out of the Treasury £141–10, as a month's Advance pay to himself, 2 Serg^ts^ and 15 privates, a Matross Company under him.

ordered the R. G. to let Simeon Ladd have out of the Treasury £200, to be accounted for by him.

ordered the R. G. to pay the Roll of Capt Eliph^t^ Daniel, amounting to one hundred and forty pounds Seventeen Shillings & four pence.

Ordered the R. G. to pay the Account of Mr Joseph Gilman, for fire wood for the Council and Committee of Safety, amounting to £33–10.

Ordered the R. G. to let Col° Samuel Folsom have out of the Treasury £90, to be accounted for.

Saturday, January 9th, 1779. Ordered the R. G. to let Zechariah Fowle have out of the Treasury £100, to be accounted for by him.

gave orders to the Board of War to Instruct the State Commissary to Credit the officers of the N. H. Battalions, to the amount of three months wages, Exclusive of what he hath already advanced.

Gave Samuel Folsom a Warrant and sent him to Search for Counterfeit money, & to apprehend Several persons accused of passing such money in the County of Cheshire.

Gave order to the Naval Officer, Samuel Bunton, to land Sundry Goods at Portsmouth.

January 14*th*, 1779. ordered the Receiver General to pay the Selectmen of Stratham the Sum of one Hundred & Sixty pounds, for so much advanced by the Said Town to 16 volunteers to reinforce the army under General Sullivan at Rhode Island.

15. Gave an order on the R. General to Theophilus Gilman, for the Sum of Twenty two pounds ten Shillings, for Loss & Damage to 2 anckors used at Portsmouth about the fire Rafts, &c.

Ordered Cap^{ts} Salter & Daniels of the Matross Companys at Portsm^{o}, to make Out an Inventory of All the Ordinance & Stores in their keeping, & Deliver the Same to the Board of War at their office in Portsm^{o}.

Jan'y 15*th*, 1779. The Committee Issued orders dated Jany ye 9th, to the Several Militia Colonels to make proper Returns of the men inlisted in & for the several Towns in their Respective Reg^{ts}, for filling up the three Continental Reg^{ts} Raised in this State, at furthest by ye 15th of Feby next.

Ordered the Receiver Genl to Let the board of War have one Thousand pounds, to be by them accounted for, £1000.

Col^{o} Samuel Folsom made return of the Warrant Issued ye 9th instant, in pursuance of which, he having apprehended the bodies of Annanias Hall of Keene, & Jo^{s} Baxter of Alstead, and Brought them before the Committee for Examination; he also brought Seven 40 Dollar & 1 20 Dollar Counterfeit Bills, and upon a full Examination of the matters & Charges relative to the Said Hall & Baxter, the Committee ordered the Gaol Keeper in Exeter to take & keep in Close Custody the Said Hall, till liberated by the Genl Assembly, or in their recess by the Committee of Safety, or

otherwise discharged by due Course of Law; he being Suspected of having been Concerned in knowingly passing Counterfeit money & other Enemical practices against this & other of the United States.

Saturday, *Jan'y* 16*th*, 1779. permit given for Wm Vance of Londonderry, to Go to Dover & return home in four days from the time he sits off there from.

Ordered Jo^{s} Badger, Caleb Hodgdon, & John B. Hanson, Esq^{rs}, Committee for & in behalf of this State, to take into Custody and possession all the Estate within the County of Strafford, real & personal, belonging to Peter Levins, Esq., late of Portsm^{o}, now an Absentee, for Safe Keeping, till ye further order of ye Genl Assembly, or Committee of Safety.

Mr John B. Hanson Settled his account and accounted for £400 he rec^{d} out of the Treasury, and also for £140 which he received of otis Baker, Esqr, for the purpose of Hireing Cont^{l} Soldiers.

Ordered Eliezer Russel, Esqr, Naval Officer, not to Clear out any Vessel that has either masts or Spars on board.

Wednesday, *Jan'y* 20*th*, 1779.

ordered the Board of War to Supply the Continental Soldiers now in Exeter, p^{r} order of Genl Poor, with necessary Lodging and provisions untill they shall be Supplied by the Continental Commissary.

Thursday, *Jan'y* 21*st*, 1779.

ordered the R. G. to let the Board of War have out of the Treas^{ry} five Thousand pounds, to be accounted for by them.

ordered the R. General to Let Noah Emery, Esqr, have out of The Treasury forty pounds, to be accounted for.

Friday, *Jan'y* 22*d*, 1779. ordered the prison keeper at Exeter to Liberate Hannaniah Hall, he having recognized with sureties before the Chief Justice to answer at the Superior Court to be held at Keen, next.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Mr Absolem Kinsbury Twenty Eight pounds nine Shillings, for his Time & Expences in bringing Simon Baxter & Benjamin Baxter from Alstead to Exeter.

ordered the R. General to pay Otis Baker, Esqr, 24| for a Journey to Exeter from Dover on public Business.

ordered the Board of War to deliver Col^{o} Theophilus Dame fifteen firearms, for the use of the Matross Company under his command.

ordered Thomas Bickford, State Commissary at Portsmouth, to deliver 8° 1^{q} 21^{lb} of flour to the Commissary of the united States, to pay for so much borrowed.

Settled and Adjusted the Acc^{t} between Otis Baker, Esqr, and the State, in full to this Day.

Saturday, Jan'y 23rd, 1779. Ordered the R. G. to pay Capt Samuel Twitchel his Roll for Voluntiers to Rhode Island, amounting to £372–9–10.

The President, with advice of the Committee, gave a Recommendation to Mark Dennet, Master of the Schooner Greyhound, to purchase a load of Corn in Some one of the Southern States.

ordered the R. G. to let Capt Josiah Gilman have £100, to be accounted for.

Tuesday, Feb'y 2d, 1779.

ordered the Naval officer for the port of Piscataquay to let Mr John Murray of Boothbay, in the County of Lincoln, in the State of Massachusetts Bay, Export 120 Bushels of Corn to said place.

ordered the R. G. to pay the Selectmen of Deerfield ninety pounds, for £10 Each advance to 9 men, Voluntiers in the Rhode Island Expedition.

ordered James Underwood, Esqr, to pay the Treasurer the money Collected by him in the Sale of Effects of Edward G. Luhoytche, an absentee.

Wednesday, Feb'ry 3d. The President being Absent, Voted that General Folsom be Chairman, P. T.

ordered the R. G. to pay William Wallace, Constable of Merrimack, one hundred & ninety pounds, for advance to 19 men, Voluntiers to Rhode Island.

ordered the R. General to let Lieu^{t} James Gould, of Capt House's Company, Col^{o} Cilley's Batallion, who was Wounded in Battle with the Enemy, have £200, to be accounted for by him.

ordered the R. G. to pay Col° Thomas Bartlett the Balance of his Account, amounting to £5–3 for expresses sent by him on public Business, & for Carrying Ammunition to Portsmouth in 1775.

Settled & fully adjusted the Acc^t of Thomas Sparhawk, for mustering & paying Continental troops.

Settled with Lt Col° Thomas Bartlett, for mustering men, & he accounted for £144 he r^d for that purpose.

Voted, That the reasonable Expences of all the Continental officers belonging to this State, Expended by them in apprehending deserters from the New Hampshire Batallions in this State, shall be paid them out of the Treasury; and all officers, civil & Military, are hereby required to give all the necessary assistance to Said Continental officers in taking up and Securing such deserters.

ordered the Board of war to deliver the Selectmen of Nottingham 150 lb of Balls, to pay for so much lent by them to the State.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Joseph Slack, a Soldier in Capt Clay's Company, in the Reg^t lately commanded by Col° Nathan Hale, twenty Six pounds, for Twenty Six Months wages, promised him on his Enlistment, in Addition to the Continental pay.

Thursday, Feb'ry 4th, 1779. ordered the R. G. to pay the Roll of Capt Eliphalet Daniel, amounting to £20–10–5, for himself & 4 men 20 days, Ending the 20th of Jany last.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Samuel Sawyer Nineteen pounds four Shillings, for Taffity to make Coulers for Col° Cilley's Regiment.

ordered the R. G. to let Col° Supply Clapp, as Agent Victualler, have £200, to be Accounted for.

Friday, Feb'y 5th.

ordered the R. G. to let Simeon Ladd have out of the Treasury £100, to be Accounted for in boarding prisoners.

Ordered the R. G. to pay the Roll of Capt Samuel Cunningham, for Rhode Island Voluntiers, amounting to £584–17.

Saturday, Feb'y 6th, 1779.

Sent off a packet to Congress.

ordered the R. G. to pay John Fernald £3, for Labour done at Fort Sullivan.

Tuesday, *Feb'y* 16*th*, 1779. Committee met & had several Matters under Consideration.

Feb'y 17*th*. ordered the Naval officer to permit Gideon Bosoley to export 120 Bushels of Corn to George Town, on Kenebeck River.

ordered the Rec^{r} Genl to pay Capt Saml Cherry £10, for his account of Expences for apprehending deserters.

ordered the R. G. to pay the Selectmen of Lee Fifty pounds, for the advance paid by them to five Voluntiers to Rhode Island.

ordered the Naval Officer to permit the Schooner Sukey, Tristram Pinkham, Master, to export from this State 100 Bushels of Corn for Goldsborough.

Feb'y 18*th*, 1779. ordered the R. G. to let the Board of war have £5000, to be Accounted for by them.

ordered the R. G. to pay Lt Joseph Boynton £10–14, for apprehending deserters.

Thursday, *February* 25, 1779. ordered the Treasurer to pay the Selectmen of Rochester one hundred and ninety pounds, for 19 Voluntiers that went to Rhode Island.

Friday, *February the* 26*th*. ordered the Treasury to Pay the the Selectmen of Weare Two Hundred & Sixty Pounds, for twenty Six Volunteers that went to Rhode Island.

Friday, 26 *Feb'r*, 1779. Ordered the Receiver Genl to pay to John Jones £13–16, ye amount of his acc^{t} for apprehending James Randal, Robert Rollins, Henry Durgin, & Aaron Rollins, four Deserters, £13–16.

Ordered the Receiver Genl to pay to William Twombly fourteen pounds 5|8^{d}, in full of his acc^{t} for apprehending Wm Young, Edward Burnham, John Mitchel & David Watson, four Deserters from ye Con^{l} Army, £14–5–8.

Order'd the Receiver Genl to pay to Capt Saml Atkinson, of Boscawen, Sixty pounds, to be accountable for, £60.

Saturday, *Feb'y* 27*th*. order'd the Receiver Genl to pay to George Peirce Sixty pounds, to be accounted for upon Settlement of his acc^{t} for service Done the State, £60.

Order'd the Naval officer to permit the Sloop Rising States, John Wait, Master, to Export from this State one Hundred Bushels of indian Corn to Falmouth, Mass^{a} bay.

Ordered the Receiver Genl to pay to Mr Joseph Gilman Twenty pounds Eight Shillings, being the amount of his account for fire wood, &c., on file, £20–8.

Wednesday, March 3d, 1779. The Committee Met, &c.

March 4th. ordered the R. G. to let Col^{o} Clapp have £300, to be accounted for as Agent Victualler.

ordered the Naval officer of the port of Piscataqua to permit Jonathan Ingersoll, of Salem, to Export Three Setts of Masts & Yards to s^{d} Salem, for Three Privateers fixing out there.

5th. gave permission for Robert Fulton, of Londonderry, to Collect Evidences to attend any Causes he hath at the Sup^{r} Court by Adj^{n} from this Jn^{t}, and the next Court of Genl Session of the peace for the County of Rockingham.

ordered the R. G. to pay Robert Smith Twenty five pounds & Two pence, in full of the Acc^{ts} of the Selectmen of Londonderry.

Gave leave to Jane Holland, wife of Col^{o} Stephen Holland, to go with her Children & Wearing Apparile & such Necessaries as the Comm^{e} on Estates of Absentees, or either of them think proper, to her husband at Newport.

6th. Gave a permit to Keith Spence to Export to Boston 15 B^{ls} flour & 3 Tierces of wheat, owned by Simon Mayo of s^{d} Boston, & come to him as an owner in the prize ship Mary bro't into Portsmouth.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Nich^{s} Nichols the Balance of his Account due to him from the State, amounting to £95–14.

ordered the R. G. to pay the Roll of Theophilus Dame, amounting to £118–18.

ordered D^{o} to pay Zechariah Fowle the Balance of his Acc^{t} for printing, being £91–11.

Friday, March 12th, 1779. ordered the R. G. to pay the Selectmen of Londonderry £200, for advance of £10 each to 20 men, Voluntiers in the R. Island Expedition.

ordered the R. G. to pay the Selectmen of Newtown £50, for advance of £10 each to five men in the Rhode Island Expedition.

March 13*th.* ordered the R. G. to pay the Selectmen of Francis Town Fifty pounds, for advance of ten pounds Each to five men, voluntiers in the Rhode Island Expedition.

ordered the Receiver General to pay the Selectmen of Concord Two Hundred & thirty pounds, with Interest from the 5 of August to the last of Decemb^{r}, being for advance to Twenty three men, Volunteers in the late Rhode Island Expedition.

March 15*th.* ordered the R. General to pay the Selectmen of Henniker £140, for advance to 14 Voluntiers to Rhode Island.

March 16*th.* ordered the R. G. to pay the Selectmen of Boscawen one hundred and Thirty pounds, for so much advanced to 13 Voluntiers in the Rhode Island Expedition.

ordered the R. G. to pay the Selectmen of Salisbury one hunpred and Eighty pounds, for so much advanced to 18 men, Voluntiers in the Rhode Island Expedition.

March 18*th.* ordered the R. G. to pay or discount with the Selectmen of Northwood £90, for advance to 9 Voluntiers to R. Island.

ordered the R. G. to pay the Select men of Ringe £340, for advance to 34 men, Voluntiers to R. Island, by the hands of Col^{o} Enoch Hale. Also, £160, for the Selectmen of Jaffrey, for advance to 16 men in Ditto.

March 19*th.* ordered the R. G. to pay the Selectmen of Dublin one hundred pounds, for advance £10 each to 10 Voluntiers to Rhode Island.

Ordered the R. G. to pay the Selectmen of Wilton £250, for advance to 25 Voluntiers of £10 each in the R. Island Expedition-

Ord^{d} the R. G. to pay the Selec^{t} men of Pembroke £170, for Ditto for 17 men.

March 23*d.* ordered the Rec^{r} Genl to pay the Selectmen of Duxbury farm & Mile Slip £20, for advance to 2 voluntiers in the R. Island Expedition.

March 27*th*, 1779. Voted that Robert Hill, of Madbury, be Directed to take into his Custody a Quantity of corn which is Stored at the House of Jonathan Williams in Durham; and that the Said Hill be Directed to aprehend the Said Jonathan Williams, and Capt Long, who is Said to be the owner of Said corn, (if to be found at Durham,) and bring them as Soon as may be before the General Court, or Committee of Safety.

Voted that Col^{o} Theophilus Dame be Directed to take into his possession A Small Vessel, if within Piscataqua Harbour, belonging to or in possession of Capt Long, and her Safely Keep untill further order.

March 31*st*, 1779. Ordered the R. G. to pay or discount with the Selectmen of Dover £130, for so much Advanced by them to 13 Voluntiers in the Rhode Island Expedition.

April 3, 1779. ordered the R. G. to pay the Select Men of Rindge £10, for so much advanced by them to Thaddeus Fitch, a Voluntier in the Rhode Island Expedition.

Exeter, *April* 7*th*, 1779. Committee of Safety Met.

The Hon^{e} Meshech Weare absent, appointed the Hon^{e} Nathanel Folsom, Esqr, Chairman Pro Tempore.

Appointed Samuel Hobart Clerk of s^{d} Com^{tee}, in the absence of Mr Secretary Thompson.

April 7*th*. Ordered the Naval officer to permitt the Schooner Lively, Thomas Prince, Master, to Export from this State One hundred bushels of Indian Corn & about Seventy bushell of Potatoes to Pownalborough.

8. Ordered the Naval Officer to permitt Col^{o} William Jones to Export from this State Seventeen Bushels of Indian Corn & about 10 Bushels Potatoes to Bristol, State Massachusetts Bay.

order'd the Naval Officer to permitt Mr Reuben Freeman to Export Forty two Bushels of Indian Corn & about 20 Bushels Potatoes from this State to Bristol, State Massachusetts Bay.

Ordered the Recv^{r} Genl to pay the Board of War Ten Thousand pounds, to be by them accounted for.

ordered the Naval Officer to permitt Mr Thomas Farr to Ex-

port fifty bushell Indian Corn to Harpswell, State of the Massachusetts Bay.

Ordered the Recv^{r} Genl to pay Supply Clap, Esqr, Agent Victualler, Five hundred pounds, to be by him accounted for.

Proportion'd the 600 Men to be raised to fill up the 3 Battal^{s} belonging to this State in the Continental Army, among the Several Regiments.

Fryday, Ap'l 9th, 1779. gave a permitt to Abigail Robertson, wife of Robert Robertson, to pass to Rhode Island, by the most convenient way, by land or water, to her husband, with her Children & wearing apparrell, & such necessaries as the Com^{tee} on the Estates of absentees, or either of them think proper.

Ordered the Naval Officer at Portsmouth to permit Benjamin Spurling to Export from this State for Goldsborough, in the State of Massachusetts Bay, 35 Bushels of Corn and 20 Bushels of Potatoes.

ordered the Naval Officer for the Port of Piscataqua to permit the Ship Mary to Export 12 Masts, of not more than 19 Inches Diameter, for Teneriffe.

took into Consideration the Petition of John McLaughlin, a Prisoner in Amherst Goal, and gave liberty to the Sheriff to Liberate him upon Bonds, with two sufficient Sureties in the sum of £500 each, to appear at the next Sup^{r} Court, Amherst, and wrote to Col^{o} Kelly upon the matter.

took into Consider^{a} a letter from Col^{o} Nichols & a^{l}, as Com^{tee} on the Estates of Absentees, respecting the income or improvem^{t} of Sundry Estates in the County of Hillsbor^{o}. wrote to them & Sent two copys of an Act Enabling Select men to take charge of such Estates.

ordered Recv^{r} Genl to pay Capt William Rowel £5–14–0, for apprehend^{g} Stephen Muder, Benj^{a} Dockum and Benj^{a} Smart, deserters from the Cont^{l} Army.

Order'd Rec^{r} Genl to pay Moses Blake £3–5–7, for apprehend^{g} Jno Smith Sanborn, a Deserter from Cont^{l} Army.

April 10th, 1779. Ordered the R. G. to pay the Selectmen of Fitz William £100, for advance to 10 Voluntiers in the R. Island Expedition.

Ap'l 22d, 1779. ordered the R^{e} G^{l} to pay the Select Men of Chichester £50, for advance to 5 Volunteers in the R. Island Expedition.

Ordered the Naval officer to permitt Mr Edward Higgins to Export 13 Bushel Indian Corn & 25 Bushel Potatoes, to Cape Ann, State M. Bay.

Order'd the R. G. to pay to Ambrose Coal, a Soldier in Capt Karr's Comp^{y}, & Col^{o} Reid's Reg^{t}, Cont^{l} Army, £28, in full for his additional pay of 20| p^{r} M^{o} from the 1st day of Jan^{y}., 1777, to the first day of May, 1779.

April 23d, 1779. Exam'd an acco^{t} of Col^{o} Joseph Cilley, for State Bounties paid to Soldiers, viz: Gilbert Caswell, Michael Silke, Saml Caldwell, Jno Wallace, Wm Hewitt, John Mathies & James Doud, being in the whole one hundred & forty pounds, which sum is to be allowed to him in the settlem^{t} of his acco^{t} with the State.

Order'd the R. Genl to pay to Col^{o} Cilley his Acco^{t} for apprehending & bringing to Exeter Nicholas Leathers & James McDaniel, Twenty Seven pounds three shill^{g}.

Ordered the Naval officer to permitt Alexd^{r} Greenlow to export 40 B^{l} Indian Corn & 40 Bush^{l} Potatos to Deer Island.

April 23d, 1779. order'd the Naval officer to permitt Mr Samuel Pierce to export 30 Bush^{l} Indian Corn & 20 Bush^{l} Potatos to Booth Bay.

Order'd the Naval Officer to permitt Mr Stephen Richardson to export from this State 50 Bushel Corn & 15 Bush^{l} Potatos to Mount Desert.

Ordered Col^{o} Theophilus Dame to Enlist one Subaltern at 60 Dollars p^{r} month and one Ration p^{r} Day; also, three Serjeants at fifty Dollars p^{r} Month, and thirty Six privates at forty five Dollars p^{r} month, to Serve until the Last day of Decem^{r}, unless Sooner Discharged.

ordered the R. G. to pay the Roll of Col^{o} Theop^{s} Dame, of matrosses for the month of March, amounting to one Hundred forty two pounds ten Shillings.

Ordered John Parker, Esqr, Sherriff of the County of Rock-

ingham, to put in readiness for Sailing the Flag that Came from N. york, detained last fall by order of the Gen[l] Assembly, now in his Custody, in order for their returne again.

Ordered the Naval officer to permitt M[r] John Robinson to Export from this State 12 Bushell Indian Corn & 5 Bushell Potatos to Blew Hill Bay.

Ordered the Naval Officer to permitt M[r] Solomon Burnham to export from this State to Booth Bay 30 Bush[l] Corn, one Bush[l] Beans, one Bush[l] Flax Seed, 3 Bush[l] Barley & 35 Bush[l] Potatos.

ordered the R. G. to pay the Select Men of Peterborough £210, for advance to 21 Voluntiers in Rhode Island Expedition.

took into Consideration the Petition of James Fleming & wife, praying for liberty to tarry in this State. Ordered to lay for further Consider[a].

gave sundry orders to officers for the allowance made them by the Gen[l] Assembly at their late Session, & enter'd them on the Council Book.

April 24th. Order'd R. Gen[l] to pay Hannah Light, wife of Lt. Ebenezer Light, in the Cont[l] Army, 280 Dollars, being the one half of what the Court allow'd Lieutenants, according to their Resolve of 26th March, last.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Simeon Ladd £3–0–0, for apprehend[g] & securing John Powell, a Deserter.

ordered the R. G. to pay to Simeon Ladd 293–7–5, being the Ballance of his acco[t], Settled this Day, as on file.

April 28. Ordered the Naval Officer to Permitt Cap[t] John Waite to Export from this State 130 Bush[l] Indian Corn, 1 Barrel Wheat, & about 20 Bush[l] Potatos to Falm°, Casco Bay, State of Mass[ts] Bay.

Ordered the R. G. to pay to Cap[t] Ebenezer Green of Lime, £150, he giving security to repay the same into the Treasury when called for.

May 3d, 1779. Reuben Roberts, soldier in the Cont[l] Army, belong[g] to New Markett, Complains that the Select Men neglect & refuse to Supply his Family with necessarys, &c., agreable to

resolves of Court and Assembly. Wrote to the Select Men upon ye Subject.

Ordered the Naval officer to permitt Mr James Johnson to export from this State 180 Bushell Indian Corn, about 30 Bush^l Potatos, & a few Beans, & some Meat to Casco Bay, Falm^o, State M. B.

gave Sundry orders to officers to Receive their allowance made them by the Genl Assembly at their late Session.

The Com^tee took into Consider^a a Comp^lt of an Indian, that some person at Portsm^o had detained his Son, or had persuaded his son to go there & leave his Father. wrote a letter & sent a Man to Portsm^o, to Jacob Treadwell, Esqr, it being represented that the Lad was with him, desir^g him to send him up to his Father at Exeter.

May 4th. Ordered the R. G. to pay to Col^o Nathl Peabody £1000, for which he is to be accountable.

Gave a pass to William Baxter to go from hence to Alstead, in this State, & to returne againe in 20 Days.

May 13th, 1779. gave a Permitt to Mary Ann Pepperrell, wife of Andrew Pepperrell, Esqr, to pass from Portsm^o to New yorke, to her husband, by way of Kings Bridge, & to Carry with her her wearing apparrill & such Necessarys as the Com^tee on Estates of Absentees, or either of them shall think proper—She having Petitioned for Liberty to go there.

gave a Permitt to John Sparhawk, Esqr, to pass to the lines at King's Bridge, in the State of N. Yorke, to Conduct Mrs Mary Ann Pepperrel to her husband, & to returne again as soon as may be.

May 14th, 1779. Order'd the Naval Officer to Permitt ——— Witham, to Export from this State 80 Bushell Indian Corn, & 30 Bush^l Potatos, and ab^t one Barrel Pork, to Cape Ann, State Mass^ts Bay.

Ballanced and Settled the acco^t of Col^o Daniel Moore, for muster^g & paying men Raised for the Expedition to R. Island, in 1778—a Ballance in his hands of £67–16–4, which he p^d into the Treasury.

Ballanced & Settled the acco^{t} of Capt Josiah Gilman, for his Service as one of the Com^{tee} on Claims, a Ballance being due to him of £101–12–0. Ordered the R. G. to pay the same to him.

Col^{o} Nathaniel Peabody lodged Receipts with the Committee from Several of the Militia Col^{os}, amounting to Thirteen hundred and fifty Seven pounds one shilling, for money drawn out of the Treasury by Genl Folsom, & delivered said Peabody, as Adj^{t} Genl, to Distribute among s^{d} Col^{os} to Raise men for Col^{o} Stephen Peabody's Regiment to serve at Rhode Island.

Voted that Col^{o} Hobart and Mr Joseph Gilman be a Committee to attend on Mons^{rs} Fouquet & Son, French Gentlemen Employed by Congress to propogate the Art of powder making & Salt petre, that they Endeavour to procure all the knowledge they can from s^{d} Gentlemen, in that Art, to which end they are to make Experiments and use Such methods as to them shall seem most Eligible to acquire knowledge in the Business.

R^{d} a Letter from Col^{o} Moses Nichols. sent an Answer, Enclosing several Acts, &c.

May 15*th*. Gave a permit to Hannah Smith, wife of John Smith, late of Portsmouth, to pass from s^{d} Portsmouth to Rhode Island, by Water, with her Children, to her husband; to take with her their Wearing Apparrel & Such Necessaries as the Committee on Estates of Absentees, or Either of them shall think proper.

ordered the Naval Officer to permit the Ship Minerva to export from this State the Small Spars on board, provided there in none exceed 12 Inches Diameter.

ordered the Rec^{r} Genl to pay the Roll of Col^{o} Theo^{s} Dame, amounting to £176–17.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Zachariah Fowle £81–15–0, in full for his acco^{t} for Printing Procl^{ms}, Laws, &c.

Permitted John Willingham, John Lancefield & William Pierce, Prisoners of War in this State, to sail for New York in the Schooner Sally, when She Sails, they having given their Parole to obtain the Release of three American Prisoners of equal Rank, or return again, on failure thereof.

May 21*st*, 1779. the Committee met according to Adjournment, & permitted William Simonton, Esqr, to export 20 Bushels of Corn & 20 Bushels of Potatoes for Falmouth, Casco Bay; and Spent the remainder of the day in looking over the papers & filing them.

May 22*d*. ordered Col°Samuel Folsom to Seize a Quantity of Merchandize purchased by sundry persons with an Intent to Injure the united States & ruin the paper Currency, as there is strong reason to Suspect, &c.

Ordered the Rec^{r} Genl to pay the Roll of Capt Peter Drown for his Comp^{y} in Col° Stephen Peabody's Batallion, amounting to £678–5.

Ordered Simeon Ladd, Prison Keeper, to Release from his confinement, Philip Crommett, jr., a Soldier belonging to Whitcomb's Rangers, Provided Capt Peter Drown, shall become Surety for his appearance again when call^{d} for. Bond given accordg'ly, and on file.

May 24*th*. ordered the Rec^{r} Genl to pay, or discount with the Select Men of Nottingham, in the current year's Tax, Nine hundred pounds for Cont^{l} States Bounty advanced to Six Men raised in that Town, to serve during the war, viz: to Josiah Clark, Bradstreet Mason, w^{m} Simpson, Jesse Clark, John Clark & Paul McCoy, Mustered by Col° Jn° McClary.

ordered the R. G. to pay the Select Men of Candia, or their order, or discount with s^{d} Town in their Tax for the Current year, £750–0 for Cont^{l} & State Bounties advanced to 5 men, viz: Daniel Libbee, Jn° Caldwell, Michael Poor, John Anderson & John Lovrin, to serve during the War, Mustered and paid by Col° John Webster for said Town.

Col° Saml Folsom made returne of the warrant committed to him on Saturday last, hav^{g} Executed the same, & seized & stoped the goods.

May 24*th*, 1779. Ordered Joseph Gilman, one of the Hon^{e} Board of War, to take into his Custody and safely keep in the store House belonging to this State, in Exeter, the goods, &c., taken by Col° Saml Folsom on Saturday last, & keep till further orders.

ordered the Naval officer not to permit any of the articles purchased at a Vendue held at Portsmouth last week, on Tuesday, wednesday or Thursday, to be Cleared out in any vessel whatsoever till further orders.

May 28th. Several of the Committee met, but not Sufficient to make a Board. adjourned till to-Morrow Morning.

May 29th. on Reading & Considering the Petition of Joseph Davenport of Stamford, in the State of Connecticut, praying for an Opportunity to Lay before them for their Action & Direction Sundry matters relative to making a Settlement of the Disputes between the first & Second Grantees of Sundry townships of Land in this State, or that they would appoint a Sub Committee for that purpose, Whereupon, Voted, that the Honble Meshech Weare, Esq., Josiah Bartlett & John Dudley, Esq^{rs}, be a Committee for the Said Davenport, to apply to for advice from time to time, and if anything materially Interesting to the State should take place, that the Said Committee are hereby Directed to Lay the same before the General Assembly or Committee of Safety for their orders thereon.

ordered, the Rece^{r} Genl to pay or Discount with the Selectmen of Raymond Seven Hundred & fifty pounds, for five men Enlisted & paid by them for the Continental Army During the war, viz: Hezekiah Pollard, John Moore, James Libbey, James Mack & James Delap, who Were mustered by Col^{o} John Webster.

May 29th, Ordered the Rec^{r} Genl to pay the Selectmen of Hampton one Hundred & Eighty pounds for Eighteen Volunteers in the Rhode Island Expedition in 1778.

ordered the Rec^{r} Genl to pay Woodbury Langdon, Esqr, one thousand pounds, he to be accountable, as a Member Elect for the Continental Congress.

ordered the Rec^{r} Genl to pay the Selectmen of Chichester one hundred & fifty pounds, for two Soldiers, viz: Benj^{a} B. Berry & Benj^{a} Brown by them Enlisted During the present War, and mustered by Col^{o} John McClary.

ordered the Receiver General to pay the Roll of Capt Daniel Reynolds' Company, in Col^{o} Stephen Peabod's Regiment, Rhode

Island Service in 1778, amounting to twelve hundred Seventy & Seven pounds & Six pence, he giving Security in Common form.

ordered the Rec^{r} Genl to pay the Ballance of Capt Samuel Dearborn's Company Roll in Col^{o} Stephen Peabodo's Regiment at Rhode Island, in the year 1778, amounting to one thousand & twenty-five pounds nine shillings and ten pence.

ordered the Treasurer to pay to Capt James Lewis [or his order] of Col^{o} Enoch Hale's Regiment of Volunteers for Rhode, in the year 1778, they giving Security for the payment of the men the Sum of three Hundred & ninety-five pounds ten Shillings & Six pence, the order made out to Lieu^{t} Benj^{m} Hall.

ordered John Parker, Esqr, to Relase the flag of truce which has been here a Long time from N. York, to return thither.

Monday, June 7th, 1779. Order'd the Naval officer to permitt Mr Burrell Carn to Clear out & export from this State one Tierce of Goods marked B. C., which were bought at vendue, & ordered to be stop'd by the Com^{tee} sometime Since, he hav^{g} produced Certificate of his Friendship to this Country. also, the goods purchased at s^{d} Vendue by Joseph Ford & John Adams, they having produced like Certificates.

order'd the Naval officer to Permitt Col^{o} Jno Langdon to Clear & Export from this State one Chest containing Fire Arms, &c., bought at Vendue at Portsm^{o} by Col^{o} Isaac Sedman, which were detained by order of the Com^{tee} some time since, it appearing by Certificates that s^{d} Sedman is a friend to ye Country.

ordered the Naval officer to permitt Mr Enoch Brown to Clear out & export from this State sundry goods he purchased at Vendue at Portsm^{o}, which were detained by order of the Com^{tee} some time ago, it appear^{g} s^{d} Brown is a friend to this Country.

ordered the Naval officer to permitt Eliakim Eatton to Clear out & export from this State 15 Bush^{l} Indian Corn to Deer Island, he giving Bond in common form to land the same there.

ordered Joseph Gilman, Esqr, to deliver the goods in his Custody, by order of the Com^{tee} purchased at a late vendue at Portsm^{o} by Mes^{rs} Hunt & Wicoff, they hav^{g} made it appear that they are Friends to this Country.

June 8th. ordered the R. G. to pay to Zach^{h} Fowle £60, to be by him accounted for.

took into Consideration sundry public letters, &c.

Wrote a Letter to the Select Men of Stratham, to replace some Corn which they had taken, which was purchased for soldiers' Families in Exeter.

took into Consideration a letter from Genl Washington, requesting & urging, the compleation of our Battallions.

June 9th. Wrote & Sent Letters to each Col^{o} in the State, direct^{g} them to Compleat their proportion & make Returns on the 16th June Current, at the Setting of the Court.

June 9th, 1779.

Gave Mr Joseph Gilman an order on the Treasurer for Three Hundred Pounds, for which he is to be accountable.

ordered Capt Caleb Robinson to take a Guard of 3 men & escort a Cart or waggon with a Chest of Continental Bills to Boston, & if need be, to Philadelphia, & to put himself under the Direction, & carefully observe the orders of Col^{o} Nicholas Gilman, respecting this matter.

Ordered the R. G. to send forward to Philadelphia the Cont^{l} Tax assessed & collected in this State for the year 1778, amount^{g} to £60,000, to Francis Hopkinson, Esqr, Treas^{r} of Loans, & take his receipt for the same.

ordered the R. G. to pay the Roll of Capt Ezekiel Gile in the Rhode Island Expedition in the year 1778, amount^{g} to £1087–16–8, excep^{g} 20–13–4 stoped, being what was due to him & Lt Loval untill he produce voucher for the Bounties, which he paid to his men that he inlisted.

June 23d. ordered the Receiver Genl to pay to Col^{o} Noah Lovwell for the Selectmen of Dunstable, one Hundred and forty pounds, for fourteen Volunteers to R. Island in the year one thousand Seven Hundred & Seventy Eight.

June 25th, 1779. ordered the R. G. to pay the Selectmen of Lyndborough one hundred & Eighty pounds for so much Advanced, by them to Eighteen Voluntiers to Rhode Island, with Interest from the 6th of August, 1778, to the first of Jan^{y}, 1779.

June 26*th*, 1779. ordered the R. G. to Lett Ebenezer Thompson, Esqr, have one hundred and fifty pounds towards his Expences to the N. H. Grants, he to be accountable.

June 27*th*. upon applycation from the State of Massachusetts Bay to Cooperate with them in Laying an Embargo, until the fleet shall Sail, against our Enemies who have made a lodgement at Ponobscot, it was agreed to and embargo was Laid in this State accordingly.

30*th*. upon reading & considering a Petition from a respectable number of Inhabitants of the town of Portsmouth & the Personal applycation of the Revd John Murry, from Booth bay, purporting their Distrest Situation for want of Sufficient Naval force to Dislodge the Enemy at Ponobscot, whereupon, Voted, that the Ship Hampden, belonging to John Langdon, Esqr, & others to be Equipt with all possible Expedition to Joyn with those at Boston for the reduction of our Enemies at Ponobscot.

July 2*d*. Ordered the Naval officer to Permitt Benjamin Colby to clear out & Export from this State, [as soon as the present Imbargo is taken off,] about 60 Bushels Indian Corn to Pownalbor^{o}, State of the Mas^{ts} Bay, he giving Bond in common form to land the same there.

July 2*d*. ordered the Naval officer to Permitt Samuel Kenny to Clear out & export from this State, [as soon as the present Embargo is taken of,] about 30 Bushell Indian Corn & grain to Booth Bay, State of Mass^{ts} Bay, he giving Bond in Common Form to Land the same there.

July 3*d*. Ordered Theop^{s} Dame, Esqr, to Permitt the Brigantine Polly, Mr Geo. Dodge, Junr, Commander, to pass out of this Harbour to Salem. also, the Brigantine Active, Mr Allen Hallett, Commander, to proceed to Sea.

July 3*d*, 1779. ordered the R. G. to pay to Joseph Peverly, Esqr, of Northumberland, £600, to procure provisions & pay wages & Bounties to Men to be Employed as a Scouting party at the upper Cooss, for which he is to be accountable.

Took into Consideration the Petition of Joseph Peverly, Esqr, & others, praying for assistance of men, &c., to be sent to the upper Cooss.

ordered 12 men to be raised immed^{y}, 6 out of Col^{o} Webster's Reg^{t}, and 6 out of Col^{o} Morey^{s} Reg^{t}, to be commanded by a Lieu^{t}, to be Stationed at the upper Cooss untill the first Day of Octob^{r} next, unless sooner Discharged; that the men have £12 p^{r} m^{o} & £6 Bounty, and travel 2| p^{r} mile, the officer £33–6–0 p^{r} month, & to be paid one month wages advance.

appointed Joseph Peverly to Procure & deliver out Provisions for s^{d} party at his House in Northumberland, & to pay the Bounties & one month's advance pay to each.

wrote to Col^{o} Webster & Col^{o} Morey, to proceed immed^{y} to Inlist or Draft s^{d} men & send them forward & to appoint the officer.

made out Instructions to the officer commanding said party, & gave them & his Commission to said Peverly to be forwarded.

ordered the Rec^{r} Genl to pay the account of Simeon Ladd, Gaol Keeper, amounting to two Thousand & Seventy one pound ten Shillings, for boarding prisoners to July 1st, 1779.

ordered the Receiver Genl to pay the Roll of Col^{o} Dame, matrosses, for the month of June, amounting to three Hundred & forty six pounds one Shilling.

ordered Col^{o} Dame to permit the Schooner Rover, belonging to Capt Robert Parker, to proceed to Sea, Notwithstanding the Embargo.

ordered the Receiver Genl to Lett the Board of War have one thousand pounds, to be by them accounted for.

ordered the Board of War to Equip the ship Hampden to assist in the Expedition against Penobscot, if it can be done in Eight Days from this Date.

gave an order to Joseph Peverly, Esqr, to take 20 Fire Arms belong^{g} to this State, if he can find so many in the western part of this State, for which he is to be accountable.

July 8th, 1779. it being represented to the Com^{tee} that it is necessary for the public good, that the present Embargo on all

Vessels should continue Forty Days longer, from this Day, therefore ordered that the Embargo be Continued 40 Days.

Appointed & Commissioned Titus Salter, of Portsm°, Esqr, to command the Ship Hambden, in an Expedition on foot against the Enemies at Ponobscot.

appointed & commissioned Daniel Lang & Joshua Stackpole to be L^ts of said Ship Hampden in said Expedition.

appointed ——— Curtice Sailing Master of the Armed Ship Hampden on the intended Expedition to Penobscott.

July 9th, 1779. Settled the acco^t of Zac^h Fowle for Printing Forms of Government, the address of Congress, &c. Ballance due to him, £72–18–0. ordered the R. G. to pay s^d Ballance.

ordered the Naval officer to permitt the ship Hambden, Titus Salter, Esqr, commander, to clear out & put to Sea, in order to join the fleet from Mass^ts in an Expedition ag^t the Enemy at Penobscot.

Made out orders for Capt Titus Salter for his voyage to Penobscott.

Ordered Theop^s Dame, Esqr, Command^g the Forts at Piscataqua Harbour, to permitt Joshua Hall, Edward Smith, Junr, John Wylie, Joseph Banks, Nichols Miller, James Cook, Zenus Cook, James ———, Samuel Hall, Benj^a Davis & Edward Millikin, with their respective vessels, to pass out of this Harbour to the westward, being Loaded Coasters homeward Bound.

Order'd Naval officer to permitt the schooner Sally, Thomas Freeman, Master, to Clear out & proceed to Falmouth.

July 10th, 1779. Ordered the R. G. to pay to the board of War £1000–0, to be by them accounted for.

ordered the R. G. to pay to Col° Hercules Mooney £90, as a month's advance pay in the service at R. Island.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Capt Samuel Reynolds £48, as a month's advance wages in the service at R. Island.

Ordered the R. G. to pay to Commissary Bickford £120, to be acco^td for.

Ordered the Naval officer to permit David Oliver to export 20 Bushels of Corn for Kenebeck river.

July 16*th*, 1779. ordered the R. G. to let the Selectmen of Greenfield have out of the Treasury £600, for Bounties p^{d} 4 Continental Soldiers, viz: Danl Pinkham, Joseph Campudon, James Brown & Joseph Anderson.

Ordered Col^{o} Dame to permit 2 prize Vessels, viz: the Brig Jenny, Ebenezer Nutting, master, and the Schooner Industry, to sail for Salem.

Samuel Piper, Junr, of Stratham, appointed a Lieu^{t} in the Rhode Island troops in Stead of Joshua Avery, resigned.

ordered the R. G. to pay or discount with the Selectmen of East Kingstown £60, for Bounties advanced to 6 men in the last year's Rhode Island Expedition.

July 17*th*. Robert Fletcher, of Temple, who was appointed a Lieu^{t} in the Rhode Island Expedition, having resigned, Gershom Doury, of Said Town, was appointed in his room.

Gave a permit to William Baxter to pass & repass from Portsmouth to Exeter on Business for the printers.

William Richardson, of Hampstead, having resigned the office of Lieu^{t} to which he was appointed in the Rhode Island Reg^{t}, Jacob Elliot, of Chester, was appointed in his room.

allow'd the Acco^{t} of Col^{o} Moses Nichols, for send^{g} express to Walpole in June last to the Col^{os} of the Reg^{ts}, &c., amount^{g} to £24–0.

ordered the R. G. to pay the s^{d} £24–0 to Capt Danl Warner for s^{d} service.

Ordered the R. G. to pay to Lt Saml Piper of the R. Island service, £33–6, for one month's advance pay in that service.

July 17*th*, 1779.

Ordered the R. G. to pay to Francis Blood, Esq., £48, for one month's advance pay for Capt Danl Emerson, R. Island Service.

Order'd the R. G. to pay to Francis Blood, Esqr, £33–6–0, for one month's advance pay for Lt Gershom Drury, in R. I^{d} Service.

Ordered the R. G. to pay to Saml Trott £42–0, for coming Express to Exeter.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Francis Blood, Esqr, £9, for his Expences in a journey to Exeter after Commissions and advance pay for the Rhode Island officers.

Wrote Letters to Col° Bellows, Col° Enoch Hale, Maj^r Ellis & Col° Nichols about rendevousing their Continental Soldiers, &c.

July 22*d*, 1779. order'd the R. G. to pay to Capt Ezekiel Worthen £48, for one month's advance pay for R. Island Service.

order'd the R. G. to pay to Lieu^t Jon^a Leavitt £33–6–0, for one month's advance pay for R. Island service.

Nicholas Marriner, of Newington, appointed Ensign in the room of Geo. Leighton, Resigned, in the R. Is^d Expedition.

ordered the R. G. to pay to En^s Nicholas Marriner £24, for one month advance pay for R. I. Service.

ordered the R. G. to pay to Hannah Light, wife of Lt Ebenezer Light, of Portsm°, now in the Cont^l Army, 280 Dollars, which compl^ts 500 Dollars allowed to officers of that Rank in the Army, She having rec^d before by order of Court 280 Dollars, & this compl^ts the whole, she having a power from her Husband.

July 23*d*, 1779.

ordered the R. G. to pay to Capt Joseph Leigh £300, to be by him accounted for.

Ordered the R. G. to pay to the Board of Warr £15,000, to be Accounted for.

Commissary Bickford, of Portsmouth, represented to the Com^tee that he had rec^d a letter from Saml Gray, Esqr, Dep^y Com^y of Issues, that he propos'd to move the Continental Store from Portsm°, & from this State as being unnecessary.

wrote a letter to s^d Gray, shewing the necessity of cont^g the store, & furnishing the same with necessary supplys.

made out orders to Capt Caleb Robinson to proceed to Amherst & Keen, in order to give the necessary march^g orders to the Con^tl Soldiers & Recruits.

Ordered the R. G. to pay to Capt Caleb Robinson £50, to enable him to proceed on s^d Service, to be accounted for.

ordered John Neal, late a Serjeant in the Continental Service, now an Invalid, to proceed to portsm°, without loss of Time, & put himself under the Command of Col° Dame, & do duty there till further orders.

It being represented to the Com^{tee} by Col^{o} Dame & others, that there is but about 20 men in the Forts at Portsm^{o}, & those not likely to tarry, & the Danger of the Enemies taking the advantage of that weekness, therefore Resolved to raise immediately by Draught 60 men for 2 months to serve in the Forts, out of the Militia, to be raised out of Col^{o} Wentworth, Evans, Moulton, Gilman, Webster, Thornton, Gales, & McClary's Reg^{ts}, to have the same pay & allowance that the Court voted at their last session, for men to be raised for that service, being 45 Dol. p^{r} m^{o} & 2| p^{r} mile Travel.

Appointed Lt Moses Barron, of Amherst, Ensign in the R. Island Expedition, in the room of Wm Stewart, who has resigned.

ordered the R. G. to pay Ens. Moses Barron, of R. Island Troops, £24, for one month's advance wages.

July 24*th*, 1779. Ordered the R. G. to pay to N. Emory, Esqr, £100, to be by him accounted for.

proportioned the sixty men order'd yesterday to be Draughted to be stationed at the Forts at Portsmouth, & wrote Circular Letters to Eight Colonels to raise their proportion immediately, & send them forward to Portsm^{o} without Loss of time.

wrote a letter to Jon^{a} Greele, the 3rd, of Kingstown, to appear before the Com^{tee} on Thursday next, 4 o'clock afternoon.

appointed Peter Stearns, of Plymouth, Lieut. in the Rhode Island Service, in the room of Josiah Brown who Resigned.

July 29*th*, 1779. wrote a letter to Col^{o} Moony at Providence, recomd^{g} Capt Saml Kelly of New Hampton, (who ingaged for the good of the R. Island Service as a private,) to be an officer if any vacancy happens.

Jon^{a} Greeley, Tert^{s}, of Kingstown, appeared before the Com^{tee} agreable to the order of Saturday last, being complained ag^{t} by sundry people in the different Towns for going from place to place and buying up Numbers of oxen at an Extravagant price; he produced Mr Jonathan Winship, of Little Cambridge, & Mr Jeremiah Tibbits, of Barrington, to Inform his design in his purchasing s^{d} cattle. After a hearing, the Com^{tee} order'd said Greeley not to purchase any more cattle till their further order.

Capt William Scott, of Peterbor^{o}, in this State, belonging to Col^{o} Henry Jackson's Reg^{t}, in the Cont^{l} Service, appeared before the Com^{tee} & produced a list of the officers & Men belonging to this State, who are now serving in s^{d} Reg^{t}; also, a Resolve of Congress importing that those officers & men should be recon'd as part of the Quota of this State—praying for some Relief on acco^{t} of the Depretiation of the Currency, &c.

July 30*th*, 1779. Ordered the R. G. to pay to Capt William Scott £828, for him to account for, viz: 800 Dol. on his own acco^{t}, & 560 Dol. to be paid to Lt Nesmith, & 50 Dollars to Each man in Col^{o} Henry Jackson's Reg^{t}, belong^{g} to this State, he to take their respective receipts for the Same—to be in part of Depreciation.

wrote a letter to Capt Scott & the men in Col^{o} Jackson's Reg^{t} belong^{g} to this State, desiring them to Continue in the Service, &c.

rec^{d} sundry public Letters & some Resolves of Congress.

ordered the list of Deserters, belonging to the Cont^{l} service to be published, & an order to all officers, Civil & Military, to apprehend & Secure said Deserters, & wrote Circular Letters to all the Col^{os} of the Militia to take up & secure s^{d} Deserters.

took into Consider^{a} a Resolve of Congress of the 29th of June, respect^{g} Loaning Money to the United States.

Order'd that s^{d} Resolve be reprinted & sent to every Town in this State, & appointed the Representatives in several Towns & Districts to procure the Money.

rec'd a letter from the Hon^{l} Council of the State of the Mass^{ts} Bay, Inform^{g} that a Spanish Vessel had been plundered on the high seas, by one Capt Hewet, under American Colours, & that some persons in this State might be know^{g} & be called as Evidences.

Wrote to Capt Danl Evans & Mr Shackford to attend the Com^{tee} tomorrow mor^{g} at 9 o'Clock to give Evidence of what they know respect^{g} said affair.

July 31*st*. Capt Danl Evans & Mr John Shackford came before the Com^{tee} agreable to the order of yesterday & gave their

Deposition respecting the Roberry of the Spanish Vessel, the President being desired to send it forward to the Council Mass^{ts} State.

wrote a letter to the Select Men & Militia officers of the Town of Peterbor^{o}, in answer to one rec'd from them.

Order'd the R. G. to pay to Capt Daniel Evans 84 Dol. for the Expence of him and Mr John Shackford com^{g} to give Evidence of the Robery of a Spanish Vessel.

August 6th, 1779.

Order'd the R. G. to pay to Timothy Ricker, of Capt Kar's Comp^{y}, & Daniel Cook, of Capt Rowel's Comp^{y}, both soldiers of Col^{o} Reid's Reg^{t}, in the Cont^{l} Service, Fifty Dollars Each, to enable them to join their command at Genl Washington's head Quarters, (they being part of his Guard,) for which they are to be accountable, as so much rec'd respectively towards the depreciation of the paper Currency—their situation being such, that they have not been in the way to draw any thing out of the State Store.

Ordered the R. G. to pay to the Board of Warr £10,000, to be by them accounted for.

Aug't 7th, 1779.

Order'd the R. G. to pay to Mr Simeon Ladd £131–17, being in full of his acco^{t} Exhibited for Boarding sundry Prisoners, & for the expence of Carrying Mathew Thornton to Portsm^{o}, in order for Tryal before the Sup^{r} Court.

gave a permitt to William Baxter to pass from hence to Alstead, in this State, & to return again within 20 days from the Time that he sets out.

Rec'd the Resolves of Congress from the Printer, with the order of the Com^{tee} apoit^{g} the several Members of the Assembly to be aiding & assisting in Loaning Money for United States, & Sealed & directed them to the Members, & sent them.

August 13th, 1779. Committee met & took into Consider^{a} a Letter rec'd from the Council of the State of Mass^{tts} Bay respect^{g} some Men wanted to be sent to Penobscott, Skilled in the art of Warr, &c.

Aug. 14th, 1779. Ordered the R. G. to pay to Doctor Caleb G. Adams £30, to be by him accounted for.

ordered the R. G. to pay the Roll of Col° Dame's Matross Comp^y for the month of May last, amounting to £297–6–0.

Ordered the R. G. to pay the Roll of Col° Dame's Matross Comp^y for the month of July, amount^g to the sum of £461–8–0.

wrote sundry public Letters to Col° Mooney & others.

Appointed Doctor Peter Emerson, late of Plymouth, to be Surgeon of the R. Island Reg^t belonging to this State, Commanded by Col° Hercules Mooney.

wrote a letter to Doctor Emerson in consequence of his appointment & sent an Express to him, with sundry other letters to people in the Country on public business.

Aug. 20*th*, 1779. ordered the R. G. to let Doc^tr Peter Emerson have two hundred Dollars, to be accounted for by him as Surgeon to Col° Mooney's Reg^t.

Ordered the R. G. to let Eben^r Thompson, Esqr, have 655 Dollars, to be delivered Mrs Lydia Emerson, widow of Moses Emerson, Esqr, which is to be Charged the Honble William Whipple, Esqr, the Same being advanced by his desire.

ordered the R. G. to pay to Ebenezer Thompson, Esqr, £3–10, for Capt Hubartus Neal, for s^d Neal's acco^t for himself & wife attend^ce as Evidences in Tryal of Major Richardson.

Aug. 21*st*, 1779. ordered the R. G. to pay Lieut. William Hutchins £10, for apprehending one George Hogg, a Deserter from the Continental Army.

ordered the R. G. to let Zachariah Fowle have out of the Treasury £50, to be accounted for.

ordered D° to let John T. Gilman have £200, to be accounted for.

ordered the Board of War to furnish Col° Jackson with waggons to assist his march towards Penobscot.

ordered the R. G. to pay Mr Thomas Odiorne £90, for so much Advanced for Colours for Col° Cilley's Reg^t.

Upon representation made to the Committee of the weak and Defenceless State of Piscataqua Harbour, & the Forts there, & the dangerous Situation of the Towns thereabouts, & requesting

some Speedy Assistance, &c., in Consequence of which the Com^{tee} adjourned to Portsm° to meet on Monday next, in order to view the particular Situation of the Forts, & other Circumstances.

Monday, *August* 23*d*, 1779. Met at Portsmouth according to adjournment.

Gave a Permit for the Schooner Hannah, a Flagg of truce from Newport, to sail for that port with the family of Capt John Smith on Board.

24*th*. Col° Tyler, of the Mass^{ts} Bay, having desired provisions for the Crews of the Vessels lost at penobscot, passing thro' this State, to last them to Newbury port, the Committee requested Mr Bickford, the Contin^{l} Commissary, to supply them with 2 days Allowance each.

ordered the R. G. to let Col° Clapp have £10,000, to Buy provisions for the State, to be Accounted for.

ordered the Board of War to deliver the Select men of Rye a B^{l} of Gun powder, for which they are to be accountable.

and Spent the remainder of this day in viewing the Fortifications round Piscataquay harbour.

Aug't 25*th*, 1779. consulted with a number of Portsmouth Gentlemen about raising men and fortifying to defend the Town. Agreed to raise Three Hundred men & gave orders to Genl Folsom to call in so many of the Militia, to be raised out of the 12 nearest Regiments.

gave Col° Theophilus Dame written directions to Call on the Board of War of this State for Military Stores of every kind which he shall find absolutely necessary for the defence of the Fortresses Committed to his care, which they are hereby directed to provide for him.

Exeter, *Aug't* 27*th*, 1779. rec'd Sundry public letters, & wrote a Letter to Col° Stephen Evans respect^{g} Con^{tl} Soldiers, & other things.

Aug't 28*th*. wrote two letters, one to Genl Whipple, & one to Col° Peabody, member of Congress, on public business.

Settled the acco^{t} of Capt Benj^{a} Sias, who was appointed to Inlist Cont^{l} Soldiers in Col^{o} Stickney's Reg^{t} & he paid the Ballance into the Treasury, being £53–6–0—acco^{ts} on file.

August 28*th*, 1779. ordered the R. G. to Discount out of the Tax for the Town of Exeter £675–0, for Cont^{l} & State Bounties advanced by said Town to five Con^{tl} Soldiers raised to serve during the war, viz: John Bartlett, (one half of his Con^{tl} & State Bounty only,) Saml Locke, George Patterson, Alexd^{r} Patterson, & Richard Cook.

Order'd the R. G. to Discount out of the Tax for the Town of Exéter £200, for Bounties & Travel^{g} Money p^{d} by s^{d} Town to 5 Soldiers, Raised for the Defence of R. Island for the current year, viz: Jeremiah Folsom, Nathl Lovrin, Jon^{a} Thing, Levi Thing, & Jon^{a} Lyford.

Ordered the Board of War to deliver to Capt Josiah Moulton one Small Cask of Powder out of the Magazine, contain^{g} about 25^{lb}.

wrote a letter to Jon^{s} Greeley, the 3rd, of Kingstown, to refrain purchasing Cattle.

ordered the R. G. to pay Monsieurs Foquetts £1000, to pay their Expences since they have been in this State, & for their Servants & Horses Expences to Philadelphia.

September 3*rd*, 1779. ordered the R. G. to discount with the Selectmen of Wakefield £104–10, for money advanced to Soldiers.

ordered Ditto to pay or discount with the Selectmen of Candia Eighty Two pounds four Shillings, for so much advanced to Two Soldiers raised for Rhode Island.

appointed William Adams, of Londonderry, Adjutant of Col^{o} Mooney's Regiment, & Ensign in the Major's Company of s^{d} Reg^{t}.

September 4*th*, 1779. ordered the R. G. to pay John McClary Six pounds Twelve Shillings, for Sending an Express on public Service.

Ordered one Jonathan Margery, a Continental Soldier, belonging to Col^{o} Reid's Regiment, wounded in the Army, & not able to Travel & Join his Reg^{t}, to put himself under the Command of Col^{o} Dame at Portsmouth for the present.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Maj^{r} Daniel Reynolds £60, for himself, & £48 for William Adams, Adj^{t} in Col^{o} Mooney's Reg^{t}, as a month's advance to each.

Ordered the R. G. to pay John Kimball & William Ray one hundred & five pounds for apprehending & bringing from Sandwich to Exeter one Joseph Keniston, a deserter.

order^{d} D^{o} to pay the Roll of Col^{o} Theoph^{s} Dame, amounting to £732–6.

On Motion, Resolved that it is the Opinion of this Committee That all Officers, Civil & Military, required by Law to Take and Subscribe an Oath of Fidelity to this State having been required to take the Same & refusing or Neglecting until the time appointed therefore was Expired, are not only dismissed from their respective offices, but rendered uncapable of being re-appointed.

Ordered the R. G. to let the Board of War have out of the Treas^{ry} £6000, to be accounted for.

September 10*th*, 1779.

The Com^{tee} took into Consider^{a} Sundry things of a public nature & in particular a Petition from M. H. Wentworth, Esq., respect^{g} Mr Fisher's Farm at Haverhill—ordered that the determination thereof be put of till next week.

Septem'r 11*th*. Ordered one Joseph Hills, a Cont^{l} Soldier belonging to Capt Scott's Company & Col^{o} Cilley's Reg^{t}, an Invalid, unable to march to the Army, to proceed to Portsmouth, & do Duty there under Col^{o} Dame till further orders.

Settled & allow'd the account of Lt Wm Taggart for apprehend^{g} John Wire, a Deserter, & committing him to jail in Amherst.

ordered the R. G. to pay to Lt Wm Taggart £20–4–0, for apprehend^{g} John Wire, a Deserter.

wrote a Letter to Col^{o} Moses Kelly respect^{g} the Escape of one John Wire, (a Deserter,) out of Amh^{t} jail.

upon Motion made, Resolved, that it is the opinion of this Com^{tee} that Mr Robert Smith of Londonderry, be directed to take care of & Secure the income & Produce of the Farm in said Londonderry, lately own'd by John Vance, an Absentee, for the benefit of the State, such part of said Produce as would have come to said Vance.

Septemb'r 17*th*, 1779. Ordered the R. G. to pay to Mr Jon^{a} Swet, of Greenland, £10, being for so much Deducted out of his pay in the R. Island Service in 1778, in Col^{o} John Langdon's Comp^{y}, as he rec'd no mo^{y} of Greenland.

ordered the R. G. to Pay to Adam Babcock, Esq., £19,500, for the one half of the ship Hambden, as apprais'd by Geo. Wentworth, Esqr, & a^{l}, lost in the late Expedition to Penobscott.

order'd the R. G. to pay David Burbank £20, for attend^{ce} at Exeter S. C. as a witness in the Tryal of Mathew Thornton.

Ordered the R. G. to pay John Hutchings £30, for attend^{ce} at Exeter as a witness in the Tryal of Mathew Thornton.

Ordered the R. G. to pay to Eph^{m} Barker, jail keeper for the County of Hillsborough, £280–7–0, for Boarding John McLaughlin & William Hardwick, in Amherst Goal.

Sep't 18*th*, 1779. ordered the R. G. to discount with the Selectmen of New Durham £42, for advance to a Soldier in the R. Island Reg^{t}.

ordered Ditto to let Noah Emery, Esqr, have £500, to be Accounted for.

ordered the Board of War to dispose of a Barrell of Gunpowder to Mr Sam^{ll} Sawyer, in Exchange for articles they rec'd of him for the Army.

Wrote to the Selectmen of Haverhil, Cohos, to take & keep in their hands the pay for the Improvement of Mr Fisher's Lands by the Continental troops.

ordered the R. G. to pay Maj^{r} Daniel Reynolds Twenty five pounds, for his Expences, &c., as a witness in the Trial of Matthew Thornton.

Wrote Genl Gates to advance our Soldiers a month's pay.

September 23*d*, 1779.

The Com^{tee} took into Consider^{a} the necessity & Importance of supplying the Treasury with money for our present Exigencies, & to devise some speedy Method to effect the same.

September 24*th*. made out a Requisition to the Select Men of the Several & Respective Towns & Parishes to advance part or

the whole of their Taxes, & put the same into the Treasury, with as much dispatch as possible, in order that the Board of War, may be enabled to procure Clothing for our Continental Troops.

September 25*th.* whereas it is represented to the Com^{tee} by Col. Webster, of Plymouth, that Lt Ray, of Meridith, has apprehended one Paul Wells, of Plym^{o}, as a Deserter, in order to bring him to Exeter, to put him to jail, &c., the Com^{tee} having Exam'd Sundry papers with respect to s^{d} Wells, whereby it appears that he is unable to join the Army & do duty there, The Com^{tee} are of opinion that the s^{d} Paul Wells remain at home untill further order of the Com^{tee}, or Genl Court, and that the s^{d} Wells is Discharged from his Obligation to appear before this Com^{tee} next Tuesday.

Appointed Col^{o} Joshua Wentworth of Portsm^{o} to be Muster Master to Muster the Men sent from the Several Regt^{s} of Militia in this State to serve at or near Portsm^{o} for two months, unless sooner discharged; you will please not to Accept any but able Bodied, Effective men, well accouterd, & make Return thereof to the Com^{tee}.

ordered Col^{o} Theop^{s} Dame to form the remainder of the men under his command, (that shall pass muster, before Col^{o} Josh^{a} Wentworth,) into such companys as may most conduce to the public Defence, & for the Interest of the State.

Septem'r 27*th.* The Committee met at the request of Sundry Gentlemen of Portsmouth to consider of the case of Dr. John Quin, a prisoner at Halifax.

Sep't 28*th.* Wrote to Genl Clinton at New York, to Massachusetts Genl Court, & to Genl Gates, relating to the case of Dr Quin.

October 1, 1779. Ordered the R. G. to pay the Roll of Col^{o} Theop^{s} Dame for the men stationed at the Forts on Piscataqua Harbour, amount^{g} to the sum of £875–13–6.

Order'd the R. G. to Discount out of the list of Taxes of Benj^{a} Page, one of the Constables for the Town of Deerfield for the present year, the sum of £900, being the Con^{tl} & State Bounties advanced by the said Town of Deerfield to John Jewell, Reuben

Rand, John Abbott, Paul Cook, Daniel Mathews, & Jacob Morse, Soldiers Inlisted into the Cont[l] Service during the War.

Order'd the R. G. to Discount out of the list of Taxes of Benj[a] Page, one of the Constables for the Town of Deerfield for the present year, the sum of £126, being bounties & Travel Money advanced by s[d] Town of Deerfield to Thomas Rand, Niel Cate, & Francis Rollins, soldiers inlisted into the Rhode Island Service for six months, the present year.

October 2d. Ordered the R. G. to pay to Simeon Ladd, Goal keeper, £280–0, to be by him accounted for.

Ordered the R. G. to pay to Gen[l] Folsom £31–10, in full for his account Exhibited & Settled this Day.

took under Consider[a] Sundry public letters; being only a bare majority adjourned untill Thursday next, & wrote to the absent members to attend.

October 7th. The Committee met and took under consideration Sundry letters received since their last meeting.

October 8th. A Letter from the Council of the Massachusetts Bay proposing a Conference by Delegates from the New England States & State of New York to meet at Hartford, in the State of Connecticutt, on the 20th Instant, having been received by the Committee & Considered, Voted that the Hon[ble] Josiah Bartlet, Col[o] Joshua Wentworth, & Major George Gains, or Either Two of them be, & hereby are appointed in the name & behalf of this State to meet delegates from the States of Massachusetts Bay, Rhode Island, Connecticutt, & New York, at Hartford, in the State of Connecticutt, on Wednesday, the 20th of this Instant October, to agree upon a Method for keeping up a free & general intercourse in trade, &c., upon principles correspondent with the public good, and Effectually to distroy the practices of those people who prey upon their Country, and to consult and agree on any other measures that then & there may be thought necessary for the Welfare of the united States, & to make report of their doings to the General Assembly of this State as soon as may be.

Complaint being made to the Committee that Col[o] Hobart, one of the members, had revealed some Important Secrets of the com-

mitte with design to Counteract their proceedings and assist the Enemies of the united States, next Thursday assigned to inquire into the matter & Col° Hobart desired not to attend in Committee until that time.

October 9th, 1777. Wrote an Answer to Prof^r Powell.

ordered the R. G. to let Col° Josiah Bartlett have £300, to pay the Expences of the Delegates to Hartford, to be accounted for.

Wrote to Col° Dame & directed him to dismiss the 2 Smallest Companies of the Militia under his Command at Portsmouth.

October the 14th, 1779. Gave a permit to James Hill to Clear the Schooner Property, with forty Bushels of Corn, & Ten Barels of Cider, for Biddeford, in the State of the Massachusetts Bay.

Gave the Sheriff of the County of Hillsborough orders to Discharge John Wyre, a Deserter from Col° Jackson's Regiment, now a prisoner in Amherst Gaol, on his pay^g Charges & giving Bond with Sufficient Sureties immediately to Join his Regiment.

Gave the Board of War an order on the Treasurer for Six Thousand Pounds, to be by them accounted for, £6000.

This being the day assigned for enquiring into the matters complained of against Col° Hobart, who appeared, & not being prepared the matter put off until he has further opportunity.

Oct'r 15th. ordered the R. G. to let Capt Caleb Robinson have out of the Treasury £150, to be Accounted for.

Oct'r 16th. ordered the R. G. to let Capt Caleb Robinson have £60, to pay his expences in the carrying Deserters to the Army.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Col° Saml Hobart £27, for so much Advanced D. Taylor, for going express on public Business.

ordered the R. G. to pay Col° Jn° McClary £50, for Mustering & paying Soldiers.

ordered the Board of War to let Capt Robinson have 2 Stand of fire Arms to Guard Deserters to the army.

October 21st, 1779. ordered Col° Dame to dismiss the 2 Companies of Militia under his Command at Portsmouth.

29. ordered Ditto to pay the Selectmen of Chester Two Hundred and Forty pounds, for Bounties, &c, Travel paid 6 men gone in the Rhode Island Service.

Ordered Ditto to pay the Selectmen of Raymond £40, for 1 man in the afors[d] Service.

Novem'r 2d, 1779. permitted John Cox of Falmouth, James Jewet of Sheepscut River, Spencer Decker of said Sheepscut, and William Harper of Falmouth, Each to Export a Quantity of Corn and Cider.

order'd the R. G. to discount with the Selectmen of Concord £1200, for advance to 8 Soldiers for the War, & £168, for 4 Soldiers for the war.

Nov'r 3rd. ordered the Receiver Gen[l] to pay to Col. Enoch Hale the Sum of four Hundred and forty four pound, for money advanced for Bounties and Travel to Sundry Continental Soldiers; also, another Sum of Seventy Six pounds, for Bounties & Travel money to two men raised for the Defence of Rhode Island, £520.

ordered the Receiver Gen[l] to pay the Selectmen of New Ipswich the sum of 300 pounds, for Bounties advanced to four Soldiers inlisted into the Continental army for one year.

Also, another Sum of 144 pounds, for Bounties and Travel money advanced to three soldiers inlisted for the Defence of Rhode Island.

Ordered the Receiver General to pay to the Selectmen of Temple the Sum of £180, for Bounties advanced to three men inlisted into the Continental Service for one year.

Also, to pay to the Select men of Temple £38–8–0, Bounty & Travil Money for David Drury, inlisted for the defence of Rhode Island.

Ordered the Receiver General to pay the Selectmen of Chesterfield the Sum of 123 £, for Bounty and Travil for three men inlisted for the defence of Rhode Island.

Also, to pay the Selectmen of Chesterfield 300 £, for Bounties paid five men inlisted for the Continental Service for one year.

Order'd the Receiver General to pay the Selectmen of Nottingham West, the Sum of 420 £, for Bounties paid four men inlisted for the Continental Service for one year.

Ordered the Receiver Gen[l] to pay to Michael Cressy 5–6–0, for his acco[t] for time & expence carrying orders from Gen[l] Folsom to the Col[s] of the Militia to raise Continental Soldiers.

Ordered the Rec[r] Gen[l] to pay to the Selectmen of Antrim 42 £, for Bounty & Travil for one man inlisted for the defence of Rhode Island.

Also, to pay to the selectment of Antrim 60 £, for Bounty paid one man inlisted for the Continental Service for one year.

Novem'r 4th. ordered the R. G. to discount with the Selectmen of Gilmanton £384, for so much advanced to Soldiers.

ordered the R. G. to pay Co[lo] Joseph Badger £4–16, for Mustering men, &c.

ordered the R. G. to discount with the Selectmen of Dublin £39–10, for advance to a Soldier in the R. Island Service, & £180, for 3 Soldiers for one year in the Continental Service, 219–10.

Ordered the R. G[l] to pay the Selectmen of Cockermouth Sixty pounds for one Soldier, Jon[a] Edes, in the Continental army for one year.

Ordered D° to pay Co[l] Moses Kelly £7–16, for mustering men.

Novm'r 10th. ordered the R. G[l] to pay Joshua Bayley £11–10, for Counting Votes at Amherst last year for Councillers.

Ordered D° to Discount with the Selectmen of Kensington £120, for so much advanced R. Island Voluntiers.

Ordered the Naval officer to permit Jn° Hambleton to Export for Cape Ann 60 Bushels of Corn & a few other articles.

November 11th. ordered the Naval officer to permit Samuel Dunscomb to Export for Bermuda a load of Spars.

Nov. 12th.

ordered the naval officer to permit Amos Caswell to Export ninety five bush. Corn & grain for Old York.

ordered the R. G. to Discount with the Selectmen of Nottingham West £76–8, for 2 Soldiers advance, gone in the Rhode Island Expedition.

ordered Ditto to pay Col° Enoch Hale £300, with Interest from the 22d of July last, for so much lent by him, (as he says) to Col° Bellows to pay Travel money to Continental Soldiers; Also, Interest for £54, from said 22d of July, for money advanced by sd Hale for the public—principal already paid.

Novem'r 12th.

ordered D° to pay the Selectmen of Hollis for Bounties advanced R. Island Soldiers £156, & £480 for Continental Soldiers.

ordered D° to pay the Selectmen of Stoddard £60, for advance to 6 Soldiers last year in the R. Island Expedition.

Ordered D° to pay the Selectmen of Parkersfield Eighty pounds, for so much Advanced 8 men last year in the Rhode Island Expedition.

Novem'r 15th, 1779. ordered the Board of War to deliver Caleb Hunt, a Soldier belonging to Col° Reid's Regt, a Suit of Cloaths.

ordd the R. G. to pay William Greenwood, for apprehending Olivr Parker £6, to be accd for.

Nov'r 18th, 1779. ordered the Naval officer to permit Sylvanus Coombs to Export 25 Bushl of Corn, 24 Blls of Apples, and 6 Bllls of Cider.

ordered the R. G. to pay the Selectmen of Nottingham £86–14, for so much Advanced 2 men in the Rhode Island Service.

19. ordered the Naval officer to permit Benja Higgens to Export fifty bush. Corn & Six Brls Cyder for Casco bay.

ordered the Naval officer to permit James Stubbs to Export ten bush. Corn, thirty five Brls Cyder, & 20 bush. apples to Casco Bay.

Nov. 26. ordered the Receiver Genl to pay Josiah Bartlett, one of the Committee in Convention at Hartford, one Hundred & Seventy Eight pounds Seven Shillings, in full for their Ballance and Settled their accot.

Ordered the R. Genl to pay Nathl Folsom, Esqr, three pounds Eighteen Shillings, his accot for Express to Dover.

ordered the Naval officer to permit Philip Higgens to Export forty Eight Bush. Corn, 16 Br^{s} Cyder, & 15 Bush^{ls} apples for New Meadows.

Novem'r 27th. ordered the R. G. to pay Col. Noah Lovewell the Balance of his Account for hiring recruits for the army & pursuing deserters, &c., amounting to £69–16.

ordered the R. G. to pay Capt Josiah Gilman £25, for drawing orders at Sundry times for General Folsom to the Col^{os} of the Militia.

December 2nd. The Committee took into Consideration the appointment of a Post to ride to the western part of the State.

3rd. Gave Col. Hercules Mooney an order on the Treasury for Sixty pounds, by him to be accounted for.

Gave an order on the R. G. To Capt Nath^{ll} Hutchins, in Col. Cilley's Regiment, for Sixty pounds, by him to be accounted for.

Gave Simeon Ladd, Goal Keeper, an order on the Treasurer for the Sum of Two Hundred and one pounds, being the Ballance of his account this Day Exhibited.

Agreable to a vote of the G. Assembly of the 18th of Novemb^{r} last, Authorizing the Committee of Safety to Establish a post to ride weekly from the post office in Portsmouth to the western part of this State, Resolved that agreable to the proposal of Peter Robinson, He be & hereby is appointed a Post Rider for the term of Six months, to ride weekly from the post office in Portsmouth; to Set out from thence on Saturday morning & ride to Peterborough in this State, and Send a man from that place weekly to Charlestown, N° four, and to Carry and Return all public letters & Despatches free of Charge, for which Service he shall receive from this State the Sum of Three Hundred pounds Lawful money.

In Committee of Safety, Decem'r 3rd, 1779.

Ordered the Receiver Genl to pay Col° Dame's matross Roll for the month of October, amounting to five Hundred & Seventy two pounds Sixteen Shillings.

ordered the R. Genl to pay Mr Thos. Odiorne Nine pounds Eleven Shillings, being the ballance due to him for Purchasing Colours for Col° Ciley Reg^{t}.

4th. Ordered the Receiver Gen[l] to pay to Col[o] Dame the Roll of Invalids doing duty in the matross Company, amounting to one Hundred & Eighty Six pounds One Shilling and Six pence.

ordered the Receiver Gen[l] to pay Col[o] Dame His Roll of matrosses for the month of Nov., amounting to Six Hundred Seventy three pounds thirteen Shillings and Six pence.

Ordered the R. G. to pay to Col[o] Dame the travel Roll of forty one militia men from Several Regiments in this State to Portsm[o] and back to their Respective Homes, amounting to one Hundred and Sixty two pounds Six Shilling.

Account of the attendance of the Committee of Safety, from January 5th (inclusive) to March 6th, 1779; giving the number of days of service in each month.

	Jan'y. 5th to 23d	Febru'y. 2d to 27th	March. 3d to 6th
Hon. Meshech Weare, Esq.,	12	5	0
Josiah Bartlett,	14	9	4
Nicholas Gilman,	14	10	4
Eben'r Thompson,	9	9	4
John Dudley,	13	8	4
Nath'l Peabody,	12	11	3
John McClary,	8	5	0
Josiah Moulton,	11	9	4
Hercules Mooney,	13	11	4
Samuel Gilman,	13	11	4
Nathan'l Folsom,	13	8	4
George Gaines,	11	7	3

Certified.

Account of the number of days attendance of the Committee of Safety, &c., in each month, beginning April 7th, 1779, to December 11th, 1779.

	April	May	(1) June	July	Aug.	Sept.	(2) Oct.	(3) Nov.	(4) Dec.
Hon. Meshech Weare,	7	8	4	10	9	6	3	5	2
Josiah Bartlett,	8	10	4	10	11	9	6	4	5
Eben'r Thompson,	2	4	0	3	5	5	6	4	0
Nath'l Folsom,	8	8	4	11	13	11	8	5	3
John Dudley,	7	10	3	13	12	11	8	5	5
Josiah Moulton,	8	9	4	13	13	11	8	3	5
John McClary,	0	5	2	5	4	6	4	4	3
George Gains,	3	7	1	12	7	7	3	4	3
Sam'l Hobart,	8	7	3	13	12	11	4	0	0

(1) The Com. met June 7th, 8th, and 9th, and then adjourned to the 30th.
(2) "Certified up to this time," October 16, 1779.
(3) The Sessions were held in Nov. between the 10th and 27th.
(4) "Certified, £43–4s.–0d."

Account of the number of days attendance in each month, from January 20th to June 3d, 1780.

Miles Travel		(1) Jan'y	Feb.	(2) March	April	May	(3) June.
7	Hon. Meshech Weare,	4		2	7	8	0
13	Eben'r Thompson,	3		2	4	5	0
18	John Dudley,	5		2	7	10	3
8	Josiah Moulton,	4		2	7	11	3
15	George Gains,	2		0	0	7	3
7	Josiah Bartlett,	0		2	7	10	3
17	John Calfe,	0		2	4	3	3

(1) No sessions held in February.
(2) Only two days, viz: March 30th and 31st.
(3) "Certified to this time."

Thursday, Jan'ry 20th, 1780.

The day the Committee were to meet, only John Dudley, Esqr, Attended, by reason of the Stormy weather.

Friday, Jan'ry 21st, 1780. The President Attended with John Dudley, Esqr, and on the Earnest application of George Cooper & Reuben Hosmer, Continental Soldiers at home on furlow and Entirely destitute of money to pay their Expences to the Army, the President ordered the R. G. to let each of them have 400 dollars, to be accounted for by them Respectively.

Wednesday, Jan'ry 26th. the Committee Set and waited on Sundry persons who made Application to them for orders on the Treasurer, for money advanced to raise Soldiers which they were not impowered to do.

Thursday, March 30th, 1780. The Committee met & ordered the Treasurer to Discount with the Selectmen of Bow £300, for Bounties advanced to 2 Continental Sold^{rs} & £42, advanced to one Soldier for Rhode Island.

Spent the most of this day in giving orders to Soldiers, &c.

Friday, March 31st, 1780. ordered the R. G. to let Major Joseph Bass have out of the Treasury £1000, to be accounted for by him.

R^{d} Sundry Letters & Resolves of Congress & took the same under Consideration.

Saturday, April 1st, 1780. Sent off Several Letters & made out a great number of orders to Soldiers, & in favour of Selectmen for money Advan^{d}.

April 6th, 1780. The Committee met and Consulted with Several Persons relative to requisitions from Congress, &c.

7th. ordered the Naval officer for the Port of Piscataqua to permit Capt Samuel Boyd to export for Bristol, in the County of Lincoln, 200 Bushels of Indian Corn for the use of the Families driven from Penobscot.

Settled the Account of Robert Smith for Sundry Services done for the State & Money re^{d} by him for money re^{d}, &c, as p^{r} acc^{t} on file, and a Balance remains due to the State of £9–0–5.

ordered the Naval officer to permit Tristram Pinkham, Junr, to Export for Goldsborough 130 Bushels of Corn.

8th. Ordered the R. G. to let William Baxter have out of the Treasury 100 Dollars, for Carrying letters to the County of Cheshire to call the General Court together.

Thursday, April 13th, 1780.

Ordered the Naval Officer for the Port of Piscataqua to permit Ezra Johnson to export for New Meadows, in the State of the Massachusetts Bay, forty Bushels of Indian Corn, &c., &c.

13th & 14th. Settled Sundry accounts and gave orders to Soldiers for money, and ordered the Proclamation for the Continental Fast to be printed & Despersed.

15th. Ordered the Receiver General to pay Nicholas Nichols £3–10^{s}–0^{d}, for taking Care of a Sick Soldier.

Ordered the R. General to pay Capt Josiah Moulton Thirty Six pounds, for his Expences going twice to Portsm^{o} on public Business.

April 15th, 1780.

Ordered the R. General to pay the Honb^{le} John Dudley, Esqr, Eighteen pounds, for his Expences going to Chester on public Business.

Thursday, May 4th, 1780. part of the Committee met and there not being a Quorum, adjourn^{d}.

Friday, May 5th. met and ordered the Receiver General to pay to Lieu^{t} John Lane three hundred pounds, to bear his expences in part for his going to Sunbury after his son who was wounded in the Army, and in a Languishing State, he to be accountable for the Same.

Gave a permit to Benj^{a} Colby, master of the Schooner Polly, to clear out for Pownalborough, in the State of Massachusetts Bay, with twenty Six Bushels of Indian Corn & two Bushels of Siberian wheat, and two Barrels of Cyder.

Saturday, May 6th. Ordered ye Receiv^{r} General to pay to Capt Josiah Gilman four Hundred pounds, to be by him accounted for.

Ordered the Rec^{r} Genl to pay Ebenez^{r} Frye one hundred and Seventy Eight pounds Sixteen Shillings & nine pence, being ye Ballance of his accounts as Certified by ye Committee on Settling ye accounts of ye officers & Soldiers.

Thursday, May 11th, 1780. the Committee met and gave Sundry Instructions to the Committee on depreciation.

May 12th. Gave out orders to the Several Col^{os} to raise their Quotas of 60 men & forward them to Haverhill.

Wrote to Col^{o} Charles Johnson & Maj. Whitcomb & app^{d} them to direct the operations, &c, of the 60 men to be Stationed on the River, about Supplies, &c. Copy on file.

13th. Wrote to Col^{o} Hunt & Mr Grout at N° 4, desiring them (if in their hands belonging to the State,) to deliver John Holbrook, for the use of the inhabitants of upper Cohoss, a B^{ll} of Gun powder, 200 Flints & 200^{lb} of Lead.

Several Matters laid before the Committee by the Com^{e} on Depreciation which they gave their opinion thereon.

ordered the Receiver General to pay Zachariah Fowle three Hundred pounds, for which he is to be accountable.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Elijah Temple one hundred & fifty pounds, for bringing deserters to Exeter.

Wrote to Capt Peter Drown to deliver Philip Cromet to Maj^{r} Whitcomb's order.

ordered the R. G. to let Maj^{r} Whitcomb have five Thousand Dollars, to Recruit men, he to account.

Ordered the R. G. to pay the 2 Rolls of Capt Dearing, one £1189–6–8, the other for Invalids, £13–6—1202–12–8.

Ordered the Naval officer to permit James Fullerton to export 50 Bushels of Corn for Kenebeck River, & Isaac Ball 20 Bushels to Cape Ann.

appointed John Cutt & George Howe to Examine & Survey provisions in the Continental Store at Portsmouth & make report on oath.

Thursday, May 18th, 1780. In Committee of Safety. Present, the Honble J. Bartlett, J. Dudley, Esqr, Maj^{r} Gains and Captn J. Moulton.

Friday, May 19th, 1780. The above named Committee took into consideration the appointment of a Lieutenant for the Matross Company, Commanded by Captn Ebenezer Dearing.

Appointed Mesheck Bell to be a Lieutenant in the Matross Company for the Defence of Piscataqua Harbour. Certificate of the Appointment sent.

Rec'd sundry Letters from Col^{o} Peabody.

Thursday, May 25th, 1780. The Committee of Safety Met.

Friday, May 26th, 1780. Ordered the Treasurer to pay the Account of Nicholas Nichols, amounting to £139–6, for going as an Express to Keene to Carry Proclamations.

Gave directions to the Committee on Depreciation to make up the Account of Pearson Huntriss, who Enlisted in Capt Drew's Comp^{y}, 2^{d} Batallion, & was not returned to s^{d} Com^{e}.

also, for Christopher Huntriss, who served one year and died in the Same Company & was not returned.

ordered the R. G. to pay the Balance of the account of Col^{o} Benjamin Bellows with the State, amounting to three hundred & Twenty Eight pounds fourteen Shillings.

Resolved that it be recommended to all persons possessed of wheat & flour on Connecticutt river for Sale, to keep the same & not dispose thereof until the General Court can have opportunity to purchase it for the use of the United States. The Court will meet at Exeter on the first Wednesday in June next, when the Committee have the greatest reason to believe they will appoint some persons to purchase all the wheat & flour that can be Spared in those parts, and provide ways and means to pay therefor.

27th. Ordered the Treasurer to Let Z. Fowle have £300, to be by him accounted for.

Saturday, May 27th, 1780.

Wrote to Committees on Connecticutt river relative to Treatment of the Indians in friendship with us.

Wrote to Mr Cuyler, at Albany, relative to the Drafts of Congress on this State.

Wrote to the Committee who have the care of the Estates of Ab-

sentees for the County of Hillsborough, relative to an Estate at Amherst, said to belong to one Jn° Sargeant, an Absentee.

In Committee of Safety, May 27th, 1780.

This Committee advise you not to settle with the Soldiers that served for 3 years only in the Continental Army for the Town of Portsm°, whose time is expired, unless each of them allow to you in their present Settlement of the respective Sums they have been Supplied with by the Committee of said Portsm°, Acc^t herewith exhibited, for supplies up to the twentieth of March past, & upon their Refusal you will defer their settlement untill the General Court meets.

Wrote to our Delegates at Congress.

Thursday, June the 1st, 1780. The Committee met and ordered the Committee on adjusting Soldier's accounts, &c., to Ballance the Account of Eliphalet Veazy, which they did, as appears by a Certificate of a Ballance due to said Veazy, amounting to thirty nine pounds sixteen Shillings. Accordingly an Order was Drawn on the Treasurer for him to Issue his Note, &c.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Moses Kelly, Sheriff, £65–6, being the Amount of his Account for apprehending Joshua Atherton, Leonard Whiting, Jon^a Goye, & John Laughlin, and for collecting fines, &c.

Friday, June 2d. Ordered the Treasurer to Let Col° Clapp have out of the Treasury six thousand pounds.

Ordered the Treasurer to Discount with the Selectmen of Middleton forty five pounds, as Bounty & travel money advanced to Nathan Hanson, a Soldier in the Rhode Island Service.

Ordered the Treasurer to Issue his Notes for the Ballance due to George Gault, a Soldier in the 6th Comp^y, 1st Reg^t, amounting to £44–3–8.

Ordered the Treasurer to Issue his Notes for the Ballance due to Obed McLain, a Soldier in the 6th Company and 1st Regiment, amounting to £39–16–11.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Serj^t William Hill two Hundred Dollars, in part toward Depreciation.

Saturday, 3*rd June*, 1780. Ordered the Treasurer to Issue his Notes for the Ballance due to Benjn Cross, a Private in the 2^{d} Comp^{y}, 3rd N. Hampshire Regiment, amounting to £31–15–6.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay John Dudley, Esqr, £123–4, being the amount of his Acc^{t} for time and Expences to Exeter to recommend Persons as Trustees to the Estates of Absentees.

Ordered the Treasurer to Issue his Notes to William Leavitt, for £24–8–6; to Joseph Hull, for £45–4–4; to Philip Cooper, for £34–8–11; to William Gale, for £25–19–8, being Ballances due for Depreciation.

Saturday, *June* 3*rd*, 1780. Ordered the Treasurer to Issue his Notes to Elijah Fairfield 8th Comp^{y}, 1st Reg^{t}, for £22–10–4; to Nehem^{h} Leavitt, Corp. 3rd Comp^{y}, 3rd Reg^{t}, for £48–19–10; to *Benj^{a} Pettingill, for £46–17–7; to Peter Stevens, 2^{d} Comp^{y}, 1st Reg^{t}, for £46–14–1; to William Nelle, 2^{d} Comp^{y}, 1st Reg^{t}, for £49–17–4, being Ballances due for Depreciation.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Captn Ebenezer Dearing £1285–19, being the Amount of his pay Roll of the Matross Company Stationed at the Forts on Piscataqua River, for the month of May, 1780. Also, his pay Roll of the Invalids Stationed at Fort Washington, for the month of May, 1780, Amounting to £10–13–9.

Friday, *June* 16*th*, 1780. Agreed that the Troops ordered by Act of the General Assembly to be Imediately raised to recruit the Continental Army, Rendezvous the 4th of July; those of Col^{o} Wentworth, Moulton, Evans, Gilman, Gale, John Webster, Gregg, Badger, & McClary's Regiments rendezvous at Kingstown. Those of Col^{o} Nichols, Stickney, David Webster & Kelly's Regim^{ts} at Amherst. Those of Col^{o} Bellows, Hale, Ellis, Chase & Morey's Reg^{ts} at Winchester.

Thursday, *June* 22*d*, 1780. the Committee compleated the Numbers of men to rendezvous at the Several places and found them as follows: at Kingstown, 297; at Amherst, 152; at Winchester, 151; and appointed Col^{o} Josiah Bartlett to muster & pay the Travel money to the men who rendezvous at Kingstown;

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*Deceased. Order taken up and another drawn in favor of his father, Ephraim, 10 June, 1780.

Col° Stephen Peabody for those at Amherst, and Capt Nehemiah Houghton for those at Winchester.

Ordered the R. G. to let Capt Nehem^{h} Houghton have out of the Treasury Twenty Two Thousand Dollars, to pay Travel money to the men he shall Muster to recruit the Continental Army, for which he is to be accountable.

ordered the R. G. to let Col° Stephen Peabody have out of the Treasury Twenty Two Thousand Dollars, and also Thirty Three Thousand Dollars, to pay travel money to the men he shall muster to recruit the Continental Army, for which he is to be accountable.

June 27*th*, 1780. The Committee agreed that the Militia ordered by the Genl Court to be raised to Join the Continental army for 3 months rendezvous at the Same places that those who were raised for 6 months were ordered; that the time of their rendezvous be fixed on the 12th of July next, and that they be mustered & paid Travel money by the Same persons who were appointed to muster the others.

ordered the R. G. to let Col° Josiah Bartlett have out of the Treasury one hundred & Ten Thousand Dollars, to enable him to pay travel money to the men he shall Muster, for which he is to account.

ordered the R. G. to let Noah Curtis have, for him to carry to Capt Nehemiah Houghton, Thirty Three Thousand Dollars, for said Houghton to pay Travel Money with to men he musters, for which s^{d} Houghton is to Acc^{t}.

Journal of the Committee of Safety, began June 29*th*, 1780.

Thursday, *June* 29*th*, 1780. The Committee met and took into consideration Sundry Matters referred to them by the General Court relative to fixing off the Soldiers ordered by s^{d} Court to be raised.

Made out Commissions for Capt Ephraim Stone & his officers who are to command a Company on the Western Frontiers and sent them forward to the several Officers.

Made out orders to the several Muster Masters.

Gave a permit to the Schooner Dolphin, ——— Beck, Master,

to export for Wells, in the State of Massachusetts Bay, 80 Bushels of Corn & 15 Barrels of Cyder.

Friday, June 30th, 1780.

Made a Computation of the horses to be purchased in this State for the use of the Continental Army & agreed to impower Some person or persons to purchase in the County of Rockingham 65, in Strafford 25, Hillsborough 33, and Cheshire 27.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Cap^{ts} Samuel Gilman £8019, for Cattle & Corn bo't for the use of the State out of the confiscated Estate of Governor Wentworth, £8019.

Advised the Committee on depreciation to settle the Acc^{t} of James Thompson, who was returned a Soldier, having served three years in the Army with Adam Thompson, his brother, who, as it appears, Served 2 of Said years in Stead of said James.

Saturday, July 1st, 1780.

Appointed Jedediah Jewett to buy horses in the county of Rockingham, John Plummer in the County of Strafford, Jonathan Martin in the County of Hilsborough, & Sent Blank orders to Col^{o} Hunt for the County of Cheshire.

Sent off Sam^{ll} Chamberlain to Express to Charles Town, N° 4, with the orders.

Ordered the R. G. to let Timothy Chamberlain have £100, to pay his Expences on a Journey to N° 4, for which he is to Acc^{t}, £100.

Appointed George Gains, Esqr, to receive of the hon^{ble} John Langdon, Esqr, 25 hogsheads of Rum, & Give his Receip^{t} therefor in behalf of the State.

Tuesday, July 4th, 1780. ordered the R. G. to let Col^{o} Moses Nichols have One Thousand Dollars, to be Accounted for by him, 1000 Dol.

Wednesday, July 5th, 1780. Gave a permit to John Dudley, Jr., John French, Edward Bean, & Isaac Smith, to drive out of this State for Kenebeck river, where they are about Settling, 20 head of horned Cattle.

ordered the R. G. to let Nich^{s} Nichols have out of the Treas-

ury 150 Dollars, to pay his Expences to Amherst on A Journey to the public, being sent Express to Col° Peabody, 150 Dollars.

Thursday, July 6th, 1780. ordered the R. G. to let Maj^r Gains have 400 Dollars, to be Accounted for, 400 Dol.

Sent off Major Gains Express to Boston to gain Intelligence relative to Sending forward Cattle, &c.

Wrote to President Powell & to the Committee of Congress at Morris Town.

Gave orders to Eliphalet Giddinge to collect together 200 head of Cattle ready to be sent forward to the Army by the 18th Inst. at furthest.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Capt Josiah Moulton £50–8–0, the Expence of a Dinner at Mr Thurston's for General Sullivan, who came to wait on the Committee & to advise with them on the Dangerous aspect of public Affairs.

ordered the Naval officer to permit John Spinney, in the Schooner Elizabeth, to Export 31 Bushels of Corn; and Eliphalet Gilman, in the Schooner Sally, 20 Bushels of Corn for Kenebeck river.

Friday, July 7th, 1780. Sent off Samuel Gilman Express to the post office at Portsmouth after the Public Letters.

Agreed to Arrange the Militia going to Serve 3 months under the Col^os Bartlett & Nichols in the following manner, viz: Col° Nichols to have from his own Regiment one Captain, one Lieu^t one Ensign, and 54 men;

from Col° Kelly's Regim^t one Captain, one Lieu^t, one Ensign, & 65 men;

from Col° Stickney's D°, one Captain, one Lieu^t, one Ensign, and 62 men;

from Col° Ellis's Reg^t, one Captain, one Lieu^t, one Ensign, & 68 men;

Col° Hale's D°, one Captain, one Lieu^t, one Ensign, and 63 men;

Col° Bellows' Reg^t, one Captain, one Lieu^t, & 45 men, with a Ensign; and 5 men from Col° Morey's Reg^t, in the whole, 50;

Col° Morey's, one Lieu^t and 21 men; with a Captain, an Ensign & 33 men from Co^lo John Webster's Reg^t; in the whole, 54 men;

Col° Chase's Reg^{t}, one Captain, one Ensign, & 36 men; with a Lieu^{t} & 20 men from Col° Nichols's Reg^{t}; in the whole, 56 men.

Col° Bartlett to have from Co^{lo} Wentworth's Reg^{t}, one Captain, one Lieu^{t}, one Ensign, and 70 men;

from Col° Evans's D°, one Capt, one Lieu^{t}, one Ensign, & 66 privates;

from Col° Moulton's D°, one Captain, one Ensign, and 40 men; with a Lieu^{t}, & 20 men from Col° Evans's—60;

Col° Gilman's D°, one Captain, one Lieu^{t}, one Ensign, & 55 men;

from Col° Gregg's D°, one Captain, one Ensign, & 33 men; with one Lieu^{t}, & 19 men from Co^{lo} David Webster's, 52;

from Col° Gale's D°, one Captain, one Lieu^{t}, one Ensign, & 55 men;

from Col° Badger's D°, one Captain, one Lieu^{t}, one Ensign, & 55 men;

from Col° McClary's D°, one Captain, one Ensign, & 36 men; with a Lieu^{t} & 20 men from Col° Stickney's Reg^{t}, 56.

appointed Dr Mark How Surgeon, and Dr George Kezer Surgeon's Mate to Col° Bartlett's Reg^{t}.

ordered the R. G. to let Col° Thomas Bartlett have out of the Treasury £1000, to be Accounted for by him, £1000.

Saturday, July 8th, 1780. The Expresses returned last Evening from N° 4, and Amherst, and reported that Col° Peabody, at Amherst, was going on in Sending off the Troops with forwardness.

R^{d} a Letter from Col. Hunt, of N° 4, advising that Captn Shubeal Geer, of said N° 4, was appointed to buy horses in the county of Cheshire for the united States.

Rec^{d} a Letter from Genl Folsom, advising that the new money would Soon be bro't forward.

Made out a Commission for Col° Thomas Bartlett to command the 1st Reg^{t} of Militia raised for the Continental Army.

Wrote the Issuing Commissary at Worcester, notifying him of the number of men who must draw provisions there, &c.

Gave a permit to Daniel Gilman to Export 50 Bushels of Corn, a Bll. of Pork & Ditto of Rum, for Kenebeck river, to purchase Salt, &c.

Wednesday, the 12th of July, 1780. Gave an Order to the Board of War on the Treasurer for fifty thousand pounds, £50,-000.

Made out a Commission for Lieu^{t} Jacob Elliot; also, a Commission for Lieu^{t} Samuel Piper.

Gave an Order on the Treasurer in favor of Arch^{d} Stark, Ensign, for one hundred & eighty pounds, in part toward Depreciation, £180.

Ordered the Treasurer to Let Lieutenant Jacob Elliot have out of the Treasury six hundred Dollars, 600 Dol.

Ordered the R. G. to let Timothy Chamberlain have out of the Treasury £100, to bear his Expences to Worcester, to be accounted for, £100.

Sent off Timothy Chamberlain Express to Worcester, with a Letter to the Issuing Commissary there to see that provision was made for our Troops going forward to the Army.

Thursday, July 13th, 1780.

ordered the R. G. to let Lieu^{t} Jonathan Cass have out of the Treasury two Thousand Dollars, to be accounted for by him, 2000 Dollars.

Ordered the Naval officer for the port of Piscataqua to permit John Walmsley to export a Quantity of Masts, Spars, &c., for Cape Francois.

Ordered the R. G. to let Genl John Stark have out of the Treasury four Thousand Dollars, to be accounted for by him, 4000 Dol.

Appointed Richard Sinkler, Junr, an Ensign in Col^{o} Thomas Bartlett Reg^{t}.

Ordered the R. G. to Issue in Notes £50,000, agreable to the resolve of G. Court of the 29th of June last, payable to such Persons and in Such Sums as Jedediah Jewett Shall request, the Same being to pay for horses purchased by said Jewett for the State, he to be accountable therefor.

ordered the R. G. to pay Lieu^{t} Jon^{a} Cass £45, for Extra Expences at Kingstown, mustering men, and 39, for Cash p^{d} by him to one Benjn Morse, for prosecuting one Ithiel Gordon for rescuing a Deserter, £45, £39.

appointed Samuel Marston, of Hampton, a Ensign in Col^{o} Thomas Bartlett's Reg^{t}.

Friday, *July* 14*th*, 1780.

Ordered the Board of War to deliver Joseph Dow, of Kensington, a Musket with a Bayonet for the use of one Tristram Godfrey, a Soldier who Split his by Accident, for which s^{d} Dow is to be Accountable—this order returned.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Simeon Ladd 601–18, the balance of his account for boarding Soldiers Deserted, &c., £601–18.

Ordered the R. G. to let Capt Eliphalet Giddinge have out of the Treasury forty Thousand Dollars, to be accounted for by him, 40,000 Dollars.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Col^{o} Matthew Thornton £49–16, for his Acc^{t} of Sundry Services, &c.

upon receiving certain Intelligence of the Arrival of the French Fleet at Newport, the President wrote Letters to the Several Col^{os} of the Militia, desiring them to Send forward the Quota of men assigned them without delay.

Saturday, *July* 15*th*, 1780.

ordered the R. G. to let Noah Emery, Junr, have out of the Treasury £600, to pay his Expences in going Express to G. Washington, for which he is to Account, £600.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Capt Ebenezer Dearing's Roll of his Matross Company, amounting to £1634–6–8, and of his Invalids, being £18–7–6, for the month of June last, £1634–6^{s}–8^{d}.

Monday, *July* 17, 1780. Ordered the Treasurer to let Col^{o} Samuel Folsom have five hundred pounds, to be by him accounted for, £500.

By information obtained from Col^{o} Baldwin, wrote to James Betton, Esq., concerning a Quantity of Counterfeit fifty Dollar Bills circulating in Windham, &c.

Made out Commissions for Capt Samuel Reynolds and Ensign Nathan Barlow, appointed to command a Comp^{y} on the western frontiers.

July 18*th*, 1780. Ordered the Treasurer to let Capt Samuel Reynolds have out of the Treasury fifteen hundred Dollars, to be by him accounted for, 1500 Dol.

Wrote to Maj^{r} Whitcomb informing him that the men rais'd for the Defence of the western frontiers are Ordered under his care, in such manner as may best answer that Design, and desired him to give the necessary directions for their being Supplyed with Provisions, &c. Also, that he would inform the Committee from time to time of the Situation of affairs.

Ordered Captn Sam^{ll} Reynolds to proceed to Haverhill, on Connecticutt River, to take under his Command one of the Companies rais'd for the Defence of the frontiers. Also, to apply to Maj^{r} Whitcomb for Supplies for the men and for further Directions.

Ordered Capt E. Giddinge to send forward about two hundred of the beef Cattle, (fifty in a Drove,) under the care of some proper persons, & to proceed forward towards the Army by the way of Springfield, untill they meet Mr Emery, Junr, & they are then to proceed & deliver the Cattle to such person as Mr Emery shall direct, taking proper Receipts for the same, unless that before they meet Mr Emery they should receive Orders from the Commissary General for the delivery of the Cattle, in which case they are to be delivered to the Commissary General's Orders, taking Receipts, &c.

Wrote to Doct^{r} Warren to know whether he would engage as Surgeon in the third New Hampshire Regiment, he being appointed by the Committee upon the Recommendation of Col^{o} Henry Dearborn.

July 19*th*, 1780. Ordered the Treasurer to let Col^{o} Supply Clapp have out of the Treasury five thousand Pounds, to be by him accounted for, £5000.

Made out a Commission for Ensign Thomas Gorden, in Capt Whitcher's Company of Militia, dated 29th of June, 1780.

Ordered the Treasurer to let Doct^{r} Mark How have out of the Treasury four hundred & fifty pounds, to be by him accounted for, £450.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay the Account of Mr James Thurstin, for a Dinner,* amounting to Sixty six pounds twelve shillings.

July 20*th*, 1780. Ordered the Treasurer to let Capt Eliphalet Giddinge have out of the Treasury three thousand & six hundred pounds, to be by him accounted for, £3600.

Ordered the Treasurer to let Abraham Brown have one hundred and eighty pounds, towards Supporting a Waggon on the Road to Springfield, to be by him accounted for, £180.

Wrote to Col^{o} Stephen Evans the second time, calling on Him to see that the Quota from his Regiment, both for filling the Continental Army and also of the Militia for three months, be immediately compleated and marched forward; he is also required to inform the Committee what number of men in his Regiment are rais'd & march'd, or ready to march, & also what Officers are appointed to go with them, who should be directed forthwith to proceed. And if either Officers or men are wanting, they must be immediately procured & sent forward.

Made out a Commission for Major Jonathan Wentworth as Major of the first Regiment of Militia raised within this State for the Continental Service, dated June 29th, 1780.

July 21, 1780. Ordered the Treasurer to let Mr Jewett have out of the Treasury three hundred pounds, to be by him accounted for.

Gave a Permit to Moses Sterling to transport one hundred and fifty Bushels of Corn to Bristol, in the Massachusetts Bay.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay the Account of Samuel Randel, for a Journey from Exeter to Dover, being Eighteen pounds, £18.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Major Jon^{a} Wentworth Twenty five pounds ten shillings, for Shoeing one of the Continental Horses, which he is to deliver when arrived at Camp, £25–10^{s}.

Ordered the Treasurer to let Major Jon^{a} Wentworth have out of the Treasury three hundred pounds, to be by him accounted for, £300.

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* Provided by the Committee for the Entertainment of the Honble. Mr. Gerry, who came by the desire of the Committee of Congress and General Washington to communicate some things relative to the State of the Army.

Ordered the Treasurer to let the Hon^{bl} Josiah Bartlett, Esq., have three thousand pounds, to pay travelling money to Soldiers, to be by him accounted for, £3000.

Ordered the Board of War to Deliver a Gun to Major Jonathan Wentworth, to be accountable therefor.

July 22*d*, 1780. Ordered the Treasurer to pay Capt Thomas Nichols four thousand nine hundred & ninety four pounds ten Shillings and four pence, being the Amount of his pay Roll of a Company of Rangers rais'd by this State for the Defence of the western frontiers, under the Command of Maj^{r} Benj^{a} Whitcomb; He giving Security in the common form that the same be paid to the men, £4994–10^{s}.

July 27*th*, 1780. Made out a Commission for Lieutenant Thomas Hayes, of a Company of Militia raised within this State for the Continental Service, dated 29th June, 1780.

July 28*th*, 1780. Gave a Permit for the Naval Officer to Clear out the ship General Washington, Commanded by Richard Wheldding, for Cadiz, in Spain, with the following Articles, viz: fifty small Masts, forty thousand white Oak Staves, and seven hundred Spars.

Ordered the Treasurer to let the Honble Josiah Bartlett have out of the Treasury Six thousand pounds, for paying travel money to Soldiers, to be by him accounted for, £6000. [*Aug'st* 3. Received but £3286–10, on the above mentioned order, 3286–10.]

Ordered the Treasurer to let the Board of War have out of the Treasury Eight thousand pounds, in the present currency, or in the new Emission at the rate of forty of the present for one of the new Emission, he retaining in his hands as much of the present Currency (to be destroyed,) as he shall pay of the new Emission, they to be accountable for the same, £8000.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Timothy Chamberlain the Ballance of his Account for a Journey to N° four & Worcester, & Expences, two hundred and fourteen pounds eighteen shillings, £214–18.

Ordered the Treasurer to let Mr Jewett have out of the Treasury three hundred pounds, to be by him accounted for, £300.

Gave Mr Jewett verbal Directions to deliver four Horses to General Stark to go in a Waggon.

Also, to deliver a Horse to John Chase who is going to the Southward with a Drove of Cattle.

July 29*th*. Appointed the Honble John Langdon, Esq., a Delegate to proceed to Boston to join with such Delegates as are or may be appointed by the States of Massachusetts, Connecticutt & Rhode Island, to meet at Boston on the 2^{d} day of August next, to consult & advise in all such business & Affairs as shall be brought under consideration relative to the War, & to promote the most vigorous Exertions of the present Campaign.

July 29*th*. Gave a permit to Col^{o} Nathaniel Fales to Export from hence One Ton of Pork & two hundred Bushels of Corn to St Georges River, State of Massachusetts Bay.

Gave the Selectmen of Portsmouth Liberty to pay their last years Tax in Rum, for the use of this State, and that on their procuring and delivering said Rum on as low terms as can be purchased with money, their said Tax shall be discharged.

Also, that the Town of Portsmouth have Liberty to pay the proportion of Beef which is their Quota for the Two first payments, in Rum, to be paid at the price established by Congress.

August 1*st*. By agreement delivered Mr Ladd an order on the Treasury for £601–18^{s}, £601–18.

Tuesday, *Aug't* 1*st*, 1780. The Committee met and had Sundry Matters under Consideration.

Aug't 2*d*. Wrote a Letter to Jacob Cuyler, Esqr, of Albany, relative to the drafts for money he has on this State.

Aug't 3*d*. Wrote a Letter to Genl Sullivan to request him to come to Exeter, and also a Letter to J. Plummer, Esqr, to Send off the Horses he has bo't to Fisk Kill, &c.

Gave orders to Jedediah Jewett to send of 30 horses to Fisk Kill.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Maj^{r} Geo. Gains the Balance of his Acc^{t}, amounting to £220, for a Journey to Boston on public Business, £220.

Aug'ut 3rd, 1780.

Upon motion made, it is agreed by the Committee that the Town of Portsmouth has Liberty to pay Rum in lieu of the Beef proportioned to them by an Act of this State, they paying a sufficient Quantity of Rum to discharge their Quota of Beef, having regard to the prices of each as established by Congress.

August 4th, 1780. Ordered the R. G. to pay James Dockum, a Soldier who hath Enlisted during the War, five hundred Dollars, being his Continental and State Bounty, 500 Dol.

General Sullivan waited on the Committee & after Some time in Conference he agreed to proceed to Congress as Soon as may be, in order to be ready to Act for the State in Settling the lines with New York, &c.

Gave an order to Benjamin Dockum to call on Samuel Ward & one Knowles, of Rye, Soldiers belonging to the Continental army now at home, & carry them forward to the Army.

Made out a Warrant and delivered it to Simeon Ladd to apprehend Jonathan Greely, the 3rd, of Kingstown, & bring him before the Committee to Answer to Several Accusations against him for Enemical practices against the States.

August 5th, 1780. Appointed Doct John Quin, Surgeon to the 3rd Regiment, in the Continental Service.

Ordered the R. G. to Let Dr Quin have £450, to be by him accounted for, £450.

Wrote a Letter to Mr Livermore, desiring him to Send the papers he has collected relative to the Disputed Lines beyond Connecticut River, &c., for the use of General Sullivan.

August 8th, 1780.

Ordered the Treasurer to let Mr N. Emery, Junr, have £6000, to forward the Horses to Camp, to be by him accounted for, £6000.

Ordered the R. G. to Issue notes to pay for 25 horses purchased by John Plummer, Esqr, for the State.

Aug't 9th, 1780. Ordered the R. G. to let the Honble John Sullivan, Esqr, have out of the Treasury Fourteen Thousand pounds, to be accounted for by him, £14,000.

10*th*. ordered the R. G. to pay the Balance of the Acc^{t} of Zechariah Fowle, for printing for the State, amounting to £1550, £1550.

Ordered the R. G. to let Nich^{s} Nicolle have 300 Dollars, to pay his Expences to N° 4, 300 Dol.

11*th*. Ordered the R. G. to let Noah Emery, Junr, have 10,000 Dollars, to be acc^{td} for, 10,000 Dollars.

August 17*th*, 1780. Ordered the Treasurer to pay Timothy Chamberlain the Amount of his Account for two Journies, time, & Expence, &c., to New Holderness, being three hundred & eight pounds five shillings, £308–5.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Robert Ellis five hundred Dollars, being the Continental & State Bounties for enlisting during the war, 500 Doll.

Wrote to Major Gains desiring him to deliver 25 Hhds. of Rum to Abraham Sheriff, to be transported to Exeter.

18. Ordered the Treasurer to pay the Expences of John Hall, while detained here as Express from General Sullivan, amounting to nineteen pounds sixteen shillings, £19–16.

Ordered Capt E. Giddinge to deliver to Mr N. Emery, Junr, Assist^{t} Commis^{y} of Purchases, as he shall call for them, and he can collect them, all the Beef Cattle which he was to collect from the several Towns, agreeable to an Act of this State for that purpose, taking his Receipt for the same.

August the 19*th*, 1780. Ordered the Board of War to Supply the Continental Troops stationed at Portsmouth with ammunition & such other necessaries as they may want, upon an application therefor from Noah Emery, Junr, Assistant Quarter Master and Commissary, And to take his receipt for the things so delivered.

Appointed Capt Josiah Moulton, Esqr, and Col° Saml Folsom to examine the powder in the hands of Col° Hubbard, that was made for this State, to see that it is Good & merchantable, and to report to this Committee the Quantity that is there.

Requested and Authorized Col° Joshua Wentworth from time to time to give the Commanding Officer of the Troops stationed at

Portsmouth such orders and directions as he shall think proper for Guarding & Defending the Harbour, and in particular the Continental Ship there.

Ordered Mr Jewett to furnish a Horse for Genl Sullivan. See his Instructions in the Book of Copies of Letters, &c.

Ordered the Treasurer to let Colo Supply Clapp have out of the Treasury ten thousand pounds, to be by him accounted for, £10,-000.

ordered the Treasurer to pay to Captn Ebenezer Dearing the Sum of Seventeen hundred & fifteen pounds, being the Amount of his Pay Roll of the Matross Company Stationed at the Forts on Piscataqua river for the month of July, £1715.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Capt Ebenezer Dearing the sum of twenty six pounds fourteen shillings, being the Amount of his Pay Roll of Invalids at Fort washington for the month of July, £26–14.

August 22*d*, 1780. Ordered the Treasurer to pay the Amount of Abraham Sheriff, for the freight of 25 Hhds. of Rum from Portsmouth to Exeter, amounting to two hundred & Sixty two pounds ten shillings, £262–10.

Ordered the Treasurer to let Mr Jedediah Jewett have out of the Treasury twelve hundred pounds, to be by him accounted for, £1200.

Aug'st 23*rd*, 1780. Ordered Capt Eliphalet Giddinge to collect all the Beef Cattle which he possibly can, and deliver them to Mr N. Emery, Junr, to be forwarded to camp as soon as may be.

Friday August 25*th*, 1780.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Colo Hercules Mooney £116–2, for his Expences from Rhode Island to Exeter & back again, to procure papers to make up his Rolls.

Saturday, *August* 26*th*, 1780. Ordered the Treasurer to let Mr Noah Emery, Junr, have out of the Treasury thirty thousand Dollars, to forward Cattle to Camp, and for which he is to be accountable, 30,000 Dollars.

Saturday, *Aug't* 26*th*. Ordered the Board of War to receive & keep what horses Mr Jedediah Jewett shall deliver them.

Aug't 30*th*, 1780. Col° Moses Nichols and Major Jon^s Wentworth D^rs to one Thousand Dollars each advan^d them for the use of their Reg^ts at West point by Capt Ezekiel Gile, which they respectively are to account for, 2000 Dol.

Thursday, *Aug't* 31*st*. The President received a Letter from General Stark requesting that his lands near Conway might not be Sold during his being in the public Service, in consequence of which the Pres^t wrote to Joseph Whipple, Esqr, & Inclosed a Copy of Genl Stark's Letter.

Friday, *Septem'r* 1*st*, 1780.

ordered the R. G. to Let Samuel Downing have out of the Treasury five hundred Dollars, for a Bounty for Enlisting as a Soldier during the war, 500 Dol.

ordered the R. G. to pay Capt Nathl Fifield one hundred Dollars, for Enlisting a Soldier during the War, 100 Dol.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

In Committee of Safety, *September* 2*d*, 1780.

SIR:—In Issuing new Bills emitted by a Resolve of Congress & Act of this State, dated the 29th of April, 1780, You are to Calculate the Interest from the Said date to the time of Issuing, & add the same to the Principal in all payments, unless otherwise directed by the General Court or this Committee.

By Order of the Committee,

E. THOMPSON, *Chair'n P. T.*

Honble Nicholas Gilman, Esq., R. G.

ordered the R. G. to let Noah Emery, Junr, have 15,000 Dollars, to be accounted for.

Ordered Ditt° to let Capt Elip^t Giddinge have £150, in Bills of the New Emissions, to be accounted for, £150,

Ordered D° to let Jedediah Jewett have £70, in bills of the New Emission, to be accounted for, £70.

Sep't 6*th*, 1780. Ordered the Treasurer to Let Mr Jonathan Martin have out of the Treasury £27–10, in Bills of the new Emission, towards purchasing and Shoeing Horses, &c., for which he is to be accountable, £27–10^s.

Ordered the Treasurer to Discount with Thomas Russel, one of the Constables of Wilton, five hundred & fifty three pounds sixteen shillings, being part of a Sum of money paid to Mr Jon^{a} Martin by order of the Committee of Safety, & for which he is to be accountable, £553–16.

Ordered Mr Emery, Asst. Commissary of Purch^{s}, to Discount with Henry Lovejoy of Wilton, Four thousand seven hundred & sixty three Continental Dollars, which number of Dollars was delivered to Col^{o} Moses Nichols & others, as appears p^{r} Receipt, 4763 Dol.

Ordered The Treasurer to make out in Notes agreeable to a Resolution of the Genl Court of the June last, for twenty two thousand nine hundred & twenty five pounds, in the names of the Persons in such respective Sums as Mr Jonathan Martin shall desire, & produce Receipts from setting forth such purchases and agreeable to the Dates of said Receipts, £22,925.

Recommended Maj^{r} Jon^{a} Child, of Lime, to Noah Emery, Junr, to be appointed a purchasing Commissary for the Contin^{l} Troops Stationed at or near Connecticut river.

Ordered the R. G. to pay Mr Noah Emery, Junr, £12–14, in Bills of the new Emission, being the balance of his account for going express to Genl Washington, £12–14^{s}.

Ordered the Board of war to provide & send to Haverhill, in Coos, to the care of Maj^{r} B. Whitcomb, the following articles, viz: 6 Tin Kettles, eight Bushels of Salt, 2 Barrels of N. E. Rum, $\frac{1}{4}$ of pound of Borax, 4 files & one Screw Plate.

ordered Col^{o} Hunt or Elijah Grout, Esqr, to deliver Maj^{r} Whitcomb, or his order, 2 Bll^{s} of Gunpowder, 600^{lb} of Ball, & 1000 Flints.

Sep't 7th, 1780. Ordered the Treasurer to pay Capt Samuel Reynolds six pounds five shillings, in Bills of the new Emission, being for a Journey from Coös to Exeter, and back again, £6–5.

Sent Mr Noah Emery, Junr, 4 Quire of paper, which he is to repay as soon as possible.

Ordered the Treasurer to Let the Board of war have five hundred pounds, in Bills of the New Emission, for which they are to be accountable, £500.

September 8th, 1780. One Nathaniel Chase, a Deserter from the Continental Army, being Sent to Town from Cohos, was Committed to Gaol, by order of the Committee.

gave instructions to Capt Saml Gilman, Trustee of the Estate of the late Governor Wentworth, That provided the heirs of Joseph Simmes, late of Portsmouth, deceased, should bid off at Vendue any of said Estate laying in the Town of Middletown, in this State, that he should take Security for the Same, & not insist on the money, as said Wentworth's Estate is largely indebted to the Estate of s^{d} Simmes.

Septem'r 9th, 1780. Ordered the R. G. to let Noah Emery, Esqr, have out of the Treasury £20, in the new Emission, to enable him to go on with printing the laws, to be accounted for, £20.

Sep't 9th, 1780. Ordered the R. G. to let Mr Noah Emery, Junr, Ass^{t} Com^{y} Purch^{s}, have out of Treasury three hundred pounds, in Bills of the new Emission, for which he is to be accountable, £300.

Sep't 14th, 1780. Gave a Permit to Waitstill Lewis to export in the Schooner Rosanna, twenty Bushels of Corn, two Casks of Rum, Two Casks of Tobacco, one Barrel of Sugar, & one Barrel of Molasses, from the Port of Piscataqua to Cape Pursue.

Also, a Certificate to the said Lewis that he is permitted to pursue his voyage with the above mentioned Cargo from the Port of Piscataqua to Cape Pursue.

Friday, Sep't 15th, 1780. Ordered the Treasurer to let Col^{o} Supply Clapp have four hundred pounds, in the new Emission, for which he is to be accountable, £400.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay the Account of Z. Fowle, four pounds ten shillings, in the new Emission, for thirty six Quire of Paper, £4–10,

Ordered the Treasury to pay the Account of the Honble M. Weare, Presid^{t}, two pounds twelve shillings, being for money advanced to Sundry expresses, £2–12.

Saturday, Sep't 16th, 1780. Ordered the Treasurer to Let Noah Emery, Deputy Coms^{y} of Purch^{s}, have three hundred

pounds, in the new money, to forward Beef Cattle to the Army, for which he is to be accountable, £300.

Ordered the Treasurer to Let the Board of War have out of the Treasury one thousand pounds, in Bills of the new Emission, for which they are to be accountable, £1000.

wrote to Capt Saml Gilman to deliver to Capt Eliph^{t} Giddinge, Collector General of Beef Cattle, at the time & place which he shall appoint, all the Beef Cattle belonging to this State which he has in his possession, which he shall think are fit to send forward to the Army.

Appointed Joshua Young an Issuing Commissary for supplying the Troops raised by this State & stationed on the western frontiers. He is to receive all such Stores as shall be delivered to him for that purpose, & deliver out the same upon an Order from the Commanding Officer of said Troops, agreeable to the Rules practised in the Continental Army in like cases, and render an account of the same.

Thursday, *Sep't.* 21*st*, 1780. Ordered the Treasurer to pay forty three pounds eighteen shillings & four pence, in Bills of the new Emission, to Capt Ebenezer Dearing, being the amount of his pay Roll for August, 1780, 43–18–4.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Capt Ebenezer Dearing thirteen shillings & eight pence one farthing, in bills of the new Emission, being the amount of his pay Roll of his Invalids for August, 1780, 13–8.

Friday, *Sept.* 22*d*, 1780. Gave a Permit to Philip Higgins to export in the Schooner Sparrow, forty five Bushels of Corn, ten Bushels of Wheat, five Barrels of Cyder, & one hundred Bushels of Apples from the Port of Piscataqua to New Meadows River, in the State of Massachusetts Bay.

Ordered the Treasurer to make out in Notes, agreeable to a Resolution of the General Court of June last, for nineteen thousand nine hundred & seventy eight pounds, in the names of the Persons in such respective Sums as Mr Shuball Geer shall desire, and produce Receipts from setting forth such purchases, and agreeable to the Dates of said Receipts, £19,978.

Ordered the Treasurer to Discount with the Selectmen of

Charlestown three hundred Dollars, being travel money paid to a Soldier, 300 Dol.

Certifyed to the Treasurer that there is due to the Honble Mesheck Weare, Esqr, President of the State of New Hampshire, twenty pounds eight shillings and sixpence, in the New Emission, being for his travel & attendance in Committee of Safety from the 29th of June to the 22^{d} of Sept. 1780, inclusive, p^{r} J. Pearson, D. Sec^{y}.

Ordered the Treasurer to Issue in Notes, to the Order of the Board of War, eight hundred pounds, (payable in one year,) in Continental Currency, for which they are to be accountable, £800.

Wrote to Capt Saml Gilman, desiring his attendance in Committee of Safety to morrow, 9 o'clock.

Saturday, Sept. 23*d*, 1780. Ordered the Treasurer to Discount with Mr Shubael Geer ten thousand Continental Dollars, being money advanced to Mr Noah Emery, Esqr, D. Q. P^{s}, by order of the President, 10,000 Dol.

Ordered the Treasurer to Discount with Capt. Shubael Geer one thousand eight hundred & fifty four pounds two shillings, Continental Currency, in full of his Account, exclusive of the first Charge for purchasing, &c, £1854–2^{s}.

Ordered the Treasurer to Discount with Capt. Shubael Geer six hundred pounds, in Continental Currency, in part towards purchasing Horses, &c.

Noah Emery, Junr, Esqr, D. Q. P^{s}, D^{r} to ten thousand Continental Dollars, Delivered to him by Capt Shubael Geer, by the President's Order. Rec^{d} Aug, 19th, Sept. 23^{d}, 10,000.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay the Account of John Parker, Esqr, amounting to ten pounds seven shillings, in Bills of the new Emission, for Gauging & Proving 23 Hhds. Rum, £10–7.

Ordered the Treasurer to make out in Notes, agreeable to a resolution of the General Court of June last, for twenty five thousand pounds, in the Names of the Persons in such respective Sums as Mr Jedediah Jewett shall desire, & produce Receipts from setting forth such Purchases, & agreeable to the Dates of said Receipts, 25,000.

Wrote to Capt. S. Gilman desiring his attendance in Com^{tee} of Safety on Monday next, at 2 o'clock, and inform the Com^{tee} what Sums of money he expects from Mr Cabbot, & to bring with him all those papers which he may think necessary. As Mr Cuyler appears willing to take a part of his Order on the Treasurer in Goods, &c., the Com^{tee} are very anxious that the Order in favor of Mr Cuyler should be Answered.

Monday, Sept. 25th, 1780. Gave a Permit to Mr Abraham Hill, of Wells, to export one hundred Bushels of Corn, 2 barrels of Cyder, 40^{lb} Pork, 4 bushels of Beans, & 14^{lb} flax from the Port of Piscataqua to Kennebunk.

Ordered the Treasurer to Issue in a Note to Capt. J. Moulton, Esqr, the sum of Six hundred pounds, being in part toward his Travel & Attendance in Committee of Safety, £600.

Wrote to Capt. Samuel Gilman desiring him to pay & take up a warrant drawn by the President of Congress on this State in favor of Philip Cuyler, Esqr, for three hundred thousand Dollars, 300,000. Also, another warrant drawn in favor of the same person for the like Sum, on which Warrant is endorsed fifty two thousand Dollars, and see that the whole be properly endorsed. And that he is to take up the Treasurer's Receipt for the last mentioned warrant, and he will receive the Treasurer's Receipt for the Sum so paid.

Tuesday, Sept. 26th, 1780.

Ordered the Treasurer to Let the Board of War have fifteen hundred pounds, in Continental Dollars, for which they are acct^{ble}, £1500.

Sept. 29th, 1780. Ordered the Treasurer to let Noah Emery, Junr, Ass^{t} Com^{y} for Purch^{s}, have out of the Treasury Six hundred pounds, in Bills of the new Emission, for which he is accountable, £600.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Simeon Ladd three pounds, in Bills of the new Emission, being in full for keeping John Powell in Newbury Gaol.

Saturday, Sept. 30th, 1780. Ordered the Treasurer to Pay Zach^{r} Fowle Eleven pounds five shillings, in Bills of the new

Emission, being in full of his Account for Paper & printing from 27 June to Sept. 30th, 1780, £11–5.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Capt. Josiah Moulton, Esq., one pound ten shillings, in Bills of the new Emission, being in full of his Account for Examining powder, time & expences, 30s.

Ordered the Treasurer to let Capt. Eliphalet Giddinge, Collector Genl of Beef Cattle, have one hundred & fifty pounds, in Bills of the New Emission, for which said Collector is to be accountable, £150.

Thursday, Oct. 6th, 1780. Three of the Committee met according to adjt, but not a Quorum.

October 7th. Gave a permit to Zachariah Foot to export in a Small Boat Sundry Small articles to Cape pursue, in Nova Scotia, Said articles having been bro't into our port from the Massachusetts, & a permit from that Coast for that purpose.

Ordered the R. G. to let Capt. Saml Atkinson have 44 Dolls. of the new Emission, to be Accounted for, he having Suppd Majr Whitcomb with Wheat, 44 Dol.

ordered the R. G. to pay Capt. Eliph^t Ladd £62–10, of the New Bills, he having Advanced Genl Folsom £10,000 of the old Currency on Acct of the State.

Saturday, Oct. 7th. Gave a Permit to Kinsley Hall James to export in the Schooner Sally, about seventy Bushels of Corn from the Port of Piscataqua to Cape Ann.

Ordered the Treasurer to Let Mr John Taylor Gilman have out of the Treasury four pounds six shillings & six pence, in Bills of the new Emission, to be accounted for by him as Payment to Officers & Soldiers on half pay, £4–6s–6d.

Ordered the R. G. to Let Capt Eliphalet Ladd have out of the Treasury Seven Thousand five hundred pounds, in Bills of the Old Emission, he having advanced in behalf of the State to Genl Folsom at Philadelphia, £10,000, £7500.

Ordered the Treasurer to Let Mr Jedediah Jewett have out of the Treasury thirty pounds, in Bills of the new Emission, for which he is to be accountable, £30.

Ordered the Treasurer to Let Capt. Josiah Gilman have out of the Treasury five pounds, in Bills of the new Emission, for which he is to be accountable, £5.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Joseph Gilman, Esq., thirty seven pounds ten shillings, in Bills of the new Emission, being for the use of a Room, furniture and attendance for the Honble Council & Committee of Safety from Dec. 29, 1777, to Oct. 7th. 1780, £37–10.

Thursday, *Nov.* 16, 1780. Ordered the Board of War to sell so many of the horses belonging to this State as they shall think necessary, reserving about thirty six, or as many as they shall think convenient for the use of the waggons.

Friday, 17*th Nov'r*, 1780. Ordered the Treasurer to pay the Ballance of the Acc^{t} of the Honble Josiah Bartlett, Esqr, amounting to £22–13–11, new Emission, for mustering, Swearing, paying travel money, &c., 672 men, 22–13–11.

Order the Treasurer to Discount with Tho's Odiorne, Esq., £86–14–4¼, being the Tax of Stephen Holland's part of Jotham Odiorne's Right in sundry Towns in this State for the year 1779, 86–14–4¼.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Maj^{r} Ge^{o} Gains £10–10, N. Emission, being the Amount of his Acc^{t} for Wood, Candles, &c., for the use of the Genl Assembly at Portsmouth, £10–10.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to let Mr Noah Emery, Junr, have six hundred pounds, N. Emission, for which he is to be accountable, £600.

Ordered the Treasurer to Let Capt Eliphalet Giddinge, Coms^{y} Genl of Beef Cattle, have out of the Treasury four hundred & fifty pounds, in Bills of the new Emission, towards purchasing the Beef Cattle which Portsmouth & New Castle were to procure, & for which he is to be accountable, £450.

Ordered the Treasurer to Let Col^{o} Thos Bartlett have out of the Treasury Seventy five pounds, New Emission, for Mark How, Surgeon, to be accounted for out of the Pay Roll when made up, £75.

Saturday, *Nov'r* 18*th*, 1780. Ordered the Treasurer to let

Noah Emery, Esq., have £125, new Emission, towards printing the Laws, and for which he is to be accountable.

The Honble President certified that Saml Torry who was drafted by the Town of Campton, for the three months Service hath paid the fine required by Law for not attending that Service, and is discharged, agreeable to a Vote of the General Assembly.

Appointed & desired Maj^{r} George Gains, Esqr, to carry into Execution a Vote of the General Assembly, relative to the repairs of the Fort at Piscataqua Harbour.

Friday, 24*th Nov'r*, 1780. Ordered the Treasurer to Let Capt Eliph^{t} Giddinge have out of the Treasury one thousand Dollars, New Emission, towards purchasing Beef for the use of the State, 1000 Dol.

25*th*. Ordered the Treasury to pay the Account of Jacob Joy, for shoeing Continental horses, Amounting to Eleven pounds three shillings & six pence, in Bills of the new Emission, £11–3^{s}–6^{d}.

Ordered the Treasurer to let Thos Bickford, Coms^{y}, have out of the Treas^{y} Sixty pounds, in bills of the new Emission, for which he is to be accountable.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

In Com'tee of Safety, *Novem'r* 25*th*, 1780.

To Nicholas Gilman, Esq., R. G.

The Com^{tee} are under an absolute necessity to direct you to Issue to the Board of War on the order they already have on you, four thousand pounds, in Bills of the new Emission, Your not having the sufficient Quantity of Bills of the former Emission to lay by agreeable to Resolve of Congress & Act of this State, notwithstanding; but as soon as Bills of the said Old Emission comes into the Treasury you are to lay them by in lieu of the said four thousand pounds.

Ordered the Treasurer to let Major Ge^{o} Gains, Esqr, have out of the Treasury one hundred & twenty pounds, in Bills of the new Emission, for which he is to be accountable.

Thursday, *Nov'r* 30*th*. The Com^{tee} met according to Adjournment.

Simeon Sandborn & Winthrop Fifield, both of Salisbury, in the State of New Hampshire, became bound & obligated to see Joshua Snow forthcoming on the twenty seventh day of December next, at which time he is to appear before the General Court. Also, Certifyed that the aforesaid Joshua Snow have liberty to pass and repass any Town or Parish within said State, untill the twenty seventh day of Decem^{br} next, at which time he is to appear before the General Court.

November 29*th*, 1780. R^{d} Sundry Letters & had the Same under Consideration.

December 1*st*, 1780. Ordered the R. G. to pay Capt Samuel Atkinson £3–1–6, the Balance of his Account for wheat supplyed Maj^{r} Whitcomb's Corps, 3–1–6.

ordered the R. G. to let Capt Eliph^{t} Ladd have out of the Treasury 26| in bills of the new Emission, for So much lost by him in Inter^{t} All^{d} the Treasury on a Sum he re^{d} there.

ordered the R. G. to pay Simeon Ladd his account for Boarding State prisoners to this day, amounting to £34–19–6, N. Emission, £34–19–6.

ordered the R. G. to let Noah Emery, Esqr, have out of the Treasury £125, in bills of the New Emission, to be Accounted for by him, £125.

Dec'r 2*d*. Passed & Settled the Account of Mr John Taylor Gilman as Commis^{r} to Hartford, to meet Com^{rs} from several other States.

December 9*th*, 1780. Desired Capt E. Giddinge, Collector Genl of Beef Cattle, to call upon Mr Martin to forward all the Beef Cattle which he can collect to Exeter.

December 14*th*, 1780. The Committee met and had Several things under Consideration.

15*th*. ordered the Receiver General to pay William Heath, a Soldier, Eighteen pounds, in the new Bills, in lieu of one note for so much due to him for Depreciation, £18.

Ordered the Treasurer to Let Maj^{r} Benjn Whitcomb have twelve pounds, new Emission, towards his Purchases, &c., for which he is to be accountable, £12, N. E.

Decem'r 16*th*, 1780. ordered the R. G. to Issue to the Board of War 1500 Dollars of the New Emission, to Enable them to Send forward waggons with Cloathing, Rum, &c., to the Army, there not being the requisite Sum of the Old Currency laid by in the Treasury, notwithstanding, 1500 Dol.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Joseph Pearson his Account for Sundries for the Use of Said State, amounting to one pound twelve shillings & eight pence one farthing, in Bills of the new Emission, £1–12–8.

Ordered the Treasurer to Let Capt E. Giddinge have out of Treasury one hundred & twenty pounds, in Bills of new Emission, for which he is accountable, £120.

Wednes'dy January 31*st*, 1781.

The Committee of Safety met and took into consideration the request of Maj^{or} B. Whitcomb.

Ordered the Treasurer to Discount two hundred & twenty five pounds with the Selectmen of Barrington, being Bounties & travel money to Soldiers for the defence of Rhode Island; also, three hundred & sixty pounds, Bounties paid to sundry Soldiers inlisted in one of the New Hamp^{r} Regiments in the Continental Army for one year, £225, £360.

Thursday, Feb'y 1. Ordered the Treasurer to let Maj. Benj^{a} Whitcomb have out of the Treasury thirty pounds, New Emission, to procure Supplies to forward his Corps to the Continental Army, and for which he is to be accountable, £30.

The President wrote to General Washington respecting the hard money to be sent forward by Mr Jewett; also, to Col^{o} Clapp & Maj^{r} Child, inclosing a Copy of a Vote requiring the several Agents who have been employed to purchase provisions & stores for the Continental Troops, to make monthly Returns, &c. Also, to the Pay Master Genl & to the pay Masters of the New Hamp^{r} Line, inclosing Copies of a Vote "requesting that any Sum or Sums of money due to those men who engaged in Continental Service from this State the year past, for the term of six months, may be paid into the hands of Mr Jedediah Jewett," &c., &c.

Directed Mr Jewett to take out of the 27,000 Dollars for which

he had an Order on the Treasurer, Such sum as may be necessary to defray his Expences to the Army; and to make return of his doings as soon as may be after his arrival at Camp. also, desired him to proceed with all due caution untill he shall arrive at Hartford, in the State of Connecticutt, and that if he should not find there some trusty Guard (or other persons who may be relied on,) bound to the Army, and with whom he could keep Company, he was directed to hire a suitable & sufficient Guard to proceed with him.

Tuesday, Feb'y 6th, 1781. took into consideration the request of Sundry Soldiers now at home on furlow, for whom part of the money, to be sent forward to the Army was design'd; Ordered Mr Jedediah Jewett, Sub-clothier & Commissary, to deliver one thousand Dollars, New Emission, to Mr John Taylor Gilman to be applyed by him for the above purpose & for which he is to be accountable. Also, desired Mr Jno T. Gilman to deliver to those Soldiers inlisted for the War, & now at Home on furlow, twenty five Dollars, Each, of the New Emission, out of the money which he shall receive of Mr Jedediah Jewett, taking their receipts for the same.

Wrote to Colo Peabody requesting him to furnish Mr Jewett, who is going to Head Quarters, with a Continental Horse, (if such an one he hath in his possession,) which he is to deliver to such Quarter Master as he shall be directed.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Mr Jedediah Jewett thirty three Dollars, of the new Emission, being in part of his pay for settling Soldiers' Depreciation, and for which he is to be accountable, 33 Dol.

Wednesday, Feb'y 7th, 1781. Desired Willm Parker, Esqr, to Discount with Colo Evans for two thousand & one hundred pounds of Beef, at four Dollars & an half per pound, with Interest on the same from 30th Novr, 1780, to this State for Land purchased of Capt Saml Gilman, £2100.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay the Roll of Capt Ebenr Dearing's Matross Company for the month of January, amounting to thirty pounds sixteen shillings & five pence, in Bills of the New Emission, 30–16–5.

also, his pay Roll of Invalids stationed at Fort Washington, amounting to eight shillings and five pence half-penny, in Bills of the New Emission, $8^{s}-5^{d}-\frac{1}{2}$.

Thursday, *Feb'y* 8*th*, 1781.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Lieu^{t} Luke Woodbury thirty pounds, in Bills of the new Emission, in part towards Depreciation, which is to be endorsed on his first Note for Depreciation, £30.

Ordered the Treasurer to let Genl John Stark have out of the Treasury Sixty pounds, in bills of the new Emission, for which he is to be accountable, £60.

Ordered the Treasurer to let Col^{o} George Reed have out of the Treasury forty five pounds, in bills of the new Emission, which is to be endorsed on his first Note for Depreciation, £45.

Wrote to Sundry Towns who are delinquent in paying Taxes.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay to Capt Saml Cherry thirty pounds, in bills of the new Emission, & endorse the Same on his first Note for Depreciation, £30.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Lieu^{t} Joseph Mills twenty two pounds ten shillings, in bills of the new Emission, & Endorse the same on his first Note for Depreciation, 22–10.

Feb'ry 8*th*, 1781.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Capt David McGregore thirty pounds, in bills of the new Emission, and endorse the same on his first Note for Depreciation, £30.

The President wrote to Sundry delinquent Towns urging the absolute necessity of their paying into the Treasury those Sums which are Due for Taxes.

Friday, *Feb'y* 9*th*, 1781. Ordered the Treasurer to Discount with Mr Andrew Drew, Constable of Durham, Six hundred and Sixty two pounds, being an Order drawn by General Sullivan on said State in favor of Mr Drew for the aforesaid Sum, for which s^{d} Sullivan is to be account^{ble}.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to let Capt. Josiah Gilman have & receive out of the Treasury thirty pounds, in bills of the new Emission, being in part of his pay for settling Soldiers' Depreciation, & for which he is to be accountable.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Capt. Isaac Frye thirty pounds, in bills of the new Emission, and endorse the same on his first Note for Depreciation, £30.

Wrote to Col^{o} Timothy Ellis, One of the Muster Masters, &c., desiring him to procure (by hire) on the best terms he can, some suitable place or places for Barracks for said Recruits, (unless some person or persons will take said Recruits into their houses & dress their Victuals without much Expense to the State.)

Also, desired him to call on Francis Blood, Esq., for a Supply of provisions, and to issue the same to said Recruits, (agreeable to a Vote,) &c., &c.

Also, desired him to Administer (to each Recruit which he shall Muster) an Oath agreeably to the inclosed form.

Also, similar orders to Genl Nichols.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Col^{o} Alex^{dr} Scammel forty five pounds, in bills of the New Emission, and to endorse the same on his first Note for Depreciation, £45.

Wrote to Col^{o} Hunt.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay to Capt. Daniel Livermore, Capt. Jason Wait and Maj^{r} Willm Scott, Each, thirty pounds, in bills of the New Emission, & endorse the same on their first Note for Depreciation, £90.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to Pay Thos Speed three pounds, in bills of the new Emission, & endorse the same on his first Note for Depreciation, £3.

Wrote Saml Livermore, Esq., to inform him that Genl Bellows had declined to go as Delegate to Congress.

Wrote to Francis Blood, Esq., desiring him to deliver to General Moses Nichols & Col^{o} Timothy Ellis, Muster Masters, &c., such quantities of provisions as they shall require, taking their receipts for the same, to be issued to the Recruits rais'd by this State.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Joseph Fullington three pounds, in bills of the new Emission, and Endorse the Same on his first Note for Depreciation, £3.

The Account of the late Col^{o} Stephen Peabody to mustern^{g} & pay^{g} travel money to —— men was adjusted, allow'd & settled, &

the Ballance, amounting to three hundred & ninety nine pounds nine shillings, old Emission, was paid into the Treasury as p^{r} the Treasurer's Receipt, £399–9.

Saturday, *Feb'y* 10*th*, 1781. Desired Mr Emery, As^{t} D^{y} Q. M. to cause all necessary provisions to be delivered, Barracks & all other necessaries to be Supplyed to such of the Recruits (raised or to be raised in this State,) as are ordered to Rendezvous at this place.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Lieut. Willm N. Bell thirty pounds, in bills of the New Emission, and Endorse the same on his first Note for Depreciation.

Ordered the Treasurer to let Capt. Eliph^{t} Giddinge, Coll^{r} Genl of Beef, have and receive out of the Treas^{y} three hundred pounds, towards purchasing Casks, Salt, &c., and for which he is to be Accountable.

The President wrote the following letter :—

Exeter, *Feb'y* 10*th*, 1781.

To his Excel^{y} Pred^{t} Huntington—

Sir: I have received your letter of the 9th, 13th ult^{o}, with several resolves of Congress inclosed. when the General Court convenes (which will be on the second Wednesday on next month,) the same will be laid before them, and every Nerve will, without doubt, be exerted to comply with the requisitions as far as this State is able. It appears to me that the situation of our finances is such at present, that we can by no means fully satisfy the Demands upon us. Our funds have already been exhausted in a manner of which Congress may not be altogether apprized. To set matters respecting this State in a clearer point of light, I shall mention several things, that at present occur to my mind.

Money has never been so plenty here as in the Commercial States, and of late has been scarcer than at any other time since the commencement of the War, insomuch that we have not been able to issue any more than 75,000 Dollars of the new Emission, which sum has been far inadequate to demands for supporting the War.

Our distance from the Army is such that the driving the Cattle & Horses, transporting Rum, Powder, &c., has proved very ex-

pensive indeed. The quantity of Beef required of this State last year was 1,120,000 lb. of which there has been sent forward 1,-021,120 lb. (some has been used within the State, and some now remains on hand salted.) The Horses were likewise procured & sent forward agreeably to requisition. Our punctuality in supplying with nearly what has been required, has necessarily occasioned the cost of driving, &c., to be proportionably large.

I have not before me the aggregate of the Costs for driving and transporting, but know the Sum must be very great—which money has been paid to Mr Emery, the Assistant Depy Qr Master in this State. As we have had neither Forage Masters nor Continental Stables within this State, a heavy Charge has accrued on that account, which has hitherto been borne by the State.

A few days since 25,000 Dollars of the new Emission was sent by this State to be exchanged for Specie, to be paid the troops of the New Hampshire line at Camp, in such manner as his Excellency, the Commander in Chief shall direct; or, in case the Exchange cannot be effected, then it was ordered that the said Bills be carried to the Army instead of the Specie.

Large Sums have been advanced by this State to forward on their six months & three months men to Camp. We have had to pay for the Ship Hampden, &c., lost in the Penobscot Expedition, and other matters of consequence, too many to be here enumerated.

As it was not in the power of the State to furnish money from the Treasury to forward the Beef Cattle & Horses, pay for transportation, &c, They were necessitated to order out of the hands of the Loan Officer the 4|10th of the new Bills lately issued for that purpose, being the part assigned for the use of the Continent.

We are now deeply in Arrears—not a single pay Roll of our Soldiers for the last Campaign discharged, the money due to the Officers & Soldiers of the New Hampshire Line for Depreciation & other ways, (together with many other matters,) remains unpaid, for which there are pressing Demands that cannot at present be satisfied. Add to this the refractory spirit prevailing in the western part of the State, which clogs the wheels of Government, deprives us of a considerable Sum of the Taxes, which we exceedingly want, & involves the lower part of the State to make good the deficiency. Some of them, I understand, for their Justi-

fication plead the benefit of the Resolution of Congress of the 24th of Septr, 1779, which they say directs this State not to exercise Jurisdiction over them. This detail of difficulties has an unpromising aspect. I presume it would perplex a State much more Opulent than this to extricate itself from Similar embarrassments. I think it my duty to acquaint you with these matters, that Congress may be apprized of our circumstances, & from thence judge what assistance may be expected from us. I am, &c.

Wrote to Francis Blood, Esq. See Copies Letters & Instructions, &c.

Wrote to Colo Nichols & Colo Timothy Ellis.

Adjourned till Monday 9 O'clock.

Monday, Feb'y 12th, 1781. Met according to adjournment.

Ordered the Treasr to pay to Sergt William Lang seven pounds ten shillings, and to indorse the same on James Cochran's first Note for Depreciation.

Wrote to Colo Jabez Hatch concerning a Continental Stable.

Tuesday, 13th Feb'y, 1781. Ordered the Treasr to pay to Ensign John Harvy twenty pounds, in bills of the new Emission, & to Endorse the Same on his first Note for Depreciation.

Wednesday, 14th Feb'y, 1781. Ordered Colo Saml Folsom, Muster Master, to Administer an Oath, (Copy of which was sent him,) to those Soldiers which he should muster to fill up this States' quota of the Continental Army.

Thursday, Feb'y 15th, 1781. Ordered the Treasurer to pay to Lieut. Bezaleel Howe, absent four years, thirty pounds, in bills of the new Emission, & to Endorse the same on his first Note for Depreciation, £30.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay to Joseph Potter, absent 4 years, thirty pounds, in bills of the new Emission, & to Endorse the same on his first Note for Depreciation, £30.

Gave Instruction to Lieut. Bezaleel Howe, one of the recruiting officers from the Line of this State.

Friday, Feb'y 16th, 1781. Ordered the Treasr to pay to Lieut.

Archibald Stark twenty two pounds ten shillings, in bills of the new Emission, & to Endorse the same on his first note for Depreciation, £22–10.

The Com^{tee} spent part of this and preceeding day, in consulting with a Com^{tee} of Officers from the Army.

Saturday, Feb'y 17*th* 1781.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to Pay to Ensign Robert B. Wilkins twenty two pounds ten shillings, in bills of the new Emission, & to Endorse the same on his first Note for Depreciation, £22–10.

Desired Saml Gilman, Esq., to draw an Order on Messrs Cabots in favor of the Board of War for twenty five thousand pounds, old Emission, to be Indorsed on the Note which he is to be allowed therefor by this State.

Desired Joseph Gilman, Esq., to make out the Account of this State against the United States for transportation, &c.

Directed Capt. E. Giddinge to settle his Account for Driving Cattle to the Army.

Adjourned till Thursday next.

On Friday, 23*d of February*, 1781. But three being present (by reason of a heavy storm by Snow & Rain,) were obliged to write to the President by Capt. Moody Dustin, manifesting their approbation of his signing two inclosed Orders on the Treasurer, one in favor of Capt. Moody Dustin for forty five pounds, in bills of the new Emission, to be Endorsed on his first Note for Depreciation, and the other in favor of Lieut. George P. Frost for fifteen pounds, in bills of the new Emission, to be Endorsed on his first Note for Depreciation, £15.

March 1*st*, 1781. Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Lieut. Willm N. Bell thirty pounds, in bills of the new Emission, & to Endorse the same on his first Note for Depreciation, £30.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Ensign Jonathan Perkins or his Order twelve pounds, in bills of the new Emission, and Endorse the same on his first Note for Depreciation.

1 *March*, 1781. Ordered the Treas^{r} to Discount with Col^{o} Noah Lovewell, in behalf of the Selectmen of Dunstable, Seventy

two pounds, old Emission, being travel money paid John French, £72.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Col^{o} Noah Lovewell fifteen shillings, in bills of the new Emission, being the amount of his Account for Expences & mustering sundry Soldiers, as per Account will appear, £15.

March 2d, 1781. Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Maj^{r} Benjn Titcomb sixty pounds, in bills of the new Emission, & to Endorse the same on his first Note for Depreciation, £60.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay the Roll of the Matross Company stationed at Piscataqua Harbour ; also, the pay Roll of Invalids for the month of February, 1781, amounting to twenty eight pounds seven shillings and five pence, new Currency.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Lieut. Nathan Weare twenty two pounds ten shillings, new Currency, & to endorse the same on his first Note for Depreciation.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Lieut. Neal McGaffee thirty pounds, new Currency, & endorse the same on his Note for Depreciation.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Simeon Ladd, Goal Keeper, fifty eight pounds thirteen shillings, new Currency, being the Amount of his Account for dieting, &c., sundry Continental Soldiers to the first of March, 1781.

Desired Col^{o} Supply Clapp to make out the Account of this State against the United States for Supplys to the Continental Troops, &c.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Saml Whittier thirty shillings, new Currency, & to Endorse the same on his first Note for Depreciation.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Capt. Benjn Whittier thirty six pounds, in bills of the new Emission, in part towards the pay Roll of his Company of three months men.

Adjourned till Wednesday next.

March 7th, Wednesday. Met according to adjournment.

Thursday, March 8th. Ordered the Treasurer to let Mr. John Taylor Gilman have out of the Treasury One hundred & twenty

five Dollars, New Emission, which he is to pay to those Soldiers (to each twenty five Dollars,) who are at home on furlow, 125 Dol.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to Discount with Obadiah Clemens, Constable for Warren, One thousand & five hundred pounds, old Emission, being so much paid to Major Child by order of the Committee of Safety, agreeable to his Receipt of the 10th of Oct^{o}, 1780, for supplying the Troops at the Westward, £1500.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to Pay to the Honble John McClary, Esq., in behalf of Maj^{r} Amos Morrill, twenty one pounds, in bills of the new Emission, & Endorse the same on his (Maj^{r} Morrill's) first Note for Depreciation.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to Charge this State in his Genl Account with the Sum of Nine pounds one shilling & sixpence, New Currency, being in full of his Account rendered this day for Wood, &c., supplyed for the use of the Genl Court & Committee of Safety.

Friday, March 9th, 1781. Wrote to Genl Nichols & to Col^{o} Ellis.

Wrote to Francis Blood, Esq.

Gave Instructions to Samuel Wells, Serg^{t} Maj^{r}.

Saturday, the 7th of April, 1781. In Committee of Safety.

Ordered the Treas^{r} not to Issue his warrants against the Constable of Warner till further Order of the Committee of Safety or Genl Court.

Authorized & requested The Honble Charles Johnson, Esq., & Mr James Woodward to Rent out for the present, the improved Lands of Absentees and the Subjects of Great Britain lying within the County of Grafton.

Thursday, 12th of April, 1781. Appointed Mr Eliphalet Hale Inspector of Shoes within the Town of Exeter.

Appointed Lieut. Col^{o} Samuel Chase to Rent out the improved Lands of Absentees in the County of Hillsborough.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Capt. Isaac Frye Seventy six pounds ten shillings; Robt B. Wilkins, Nine pounds; Capt. Moses Dus-

tin, Seven pounds ten shillings; Lt Neal McGaffee, Seven pounds ten shillings; & Lieut. Wm Bell, seven pounds ten shillings, and Endorse the same on their first Note for Depreciation, £76–10, £9–0, £7–10, £7–10, £7–10.

Friday, April 13th. Appointed Mr George Dame Inspector of Shoes within the Town of Portsm^{o}.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Lieut. Nathan Weare seven pounds ten shillings, & Endorse the same on his first Note for Depreciation, £7–10.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to Let Mr John Taylor Gilman have one hundred Dollars, New Emission, towards paying those officers & Soldiers who are upon the half pay Roll, & for which he is to be accountable, 100 Dol.

Wrote to Capt. Eben^{r} Dearing.

Saturday, 14th April, 1781. Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Capt. Josiah Gilman fifty pounds, new Emission, in part towards his Account as Com^{tee} on Claims, and for which he is to be accountable, £50.

Wrote to the Honble John Wentworth, Junr, Esq., respecting his being Chosen Delegate.

Ordered that the Proclamation for a fast should be printed & sent to the several worshipping Assemblies in this State, &c.

The several Towns &c., notified that the Rolls of the six months men cannot be made up untill the discharges are returned to the Committee on Claims, &c.

Wednesday, April 18th. Ordered the Treas^{r} to Let Mr John T. Gilman have Sixty pounds, in Bills of the new Emission, to pay to Soldiers, twenty five Dollars each, & for which he is to be accountable.

Thursday, April 19th. Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Lt Joseph Mills twenty seven pounds twelve shillings, new Emission, being the Ballance due on his first Note for Depreciation, & Endorse the same on said Note, which he is to take up, £27–12.

Gave Instructions to Lt Col^{o} Saml Chase respecting Farms of Absentees.

Wrote to Col° T. Ellis, to Commanding Officer of the Regt. lately Comm^d by the Honble Benj^a Bellows, to Col° Morey, to Col° Jon^a Chase, and to Col° D^d Webster.

Appointed Moses Dow, Esq., Commissary of Purchases.

Appointed Lieut. Jonathan Ring Issuing Commissary to the two Companies to be raised for the defence of the western frontiers.

Wrote to Col° Charles Johnston.

Friday, April 20th. Wrote to Genl Bellows.

Ordered the Treas^r to pay Corp^l Benjn Dodge twenty five Dollars, new Emission, & Endorse the same on his first Note for Depreciation.

Ordered the Treas^r to Let Capt. Eliph^t Giddinge, Collec^tr Genl, have three hundred pounds, new Emission, towards purchasing Salt, Casks, &c., & for which he is to be accountable.

Ordered the Board of War to pay Serg^t Lang & Corp^l Nevins what they shall think reasonable for their taking up two Deserters.

April 20th, 1781. Ordered the Treasurer to pay Caleb Aldrich ten pounds eight shillings & nine pence, New Emission, being the Ballance due on his two first notes for Depreciation with the Interest, and take up said Notes.

Saturday, April 21st. Ordered the Treas^r to Let Mr Jedediah Jewett have Sixty pounds, new Emission, towards his pay as Sub Clothier & Commissary, agreeably to a Vote of the Genl Court that his wages, &c., should be paid Quarterly, £60–0–0.

Ordered Mr Williams, Iss^g Com^y, to deliver provisions to Oliver Thurstin, of the 2^d New Hampshire Regiment, agreeable to a Vote of the Genl Court.

The President wrote to Matthew Pattin & Thomas Sparhawk, Esqr, Judges of Probate of Wills.

Thursday, April 26th, 1781. Ordered the Treas^r to Pay Col° Dearborn 3|4 of the nominal Sum of his first Note for Depreciation, amounting to £138. Entered p. 42 B^k Acc^ts, £138.

Ordered the Treas^r to pay Ensign John Harvey Seven pounds

ten shillings, new currency, (he being at home on furlough,) and to Endorse the same on his first Note for Depreciation. Entered p. 23, Council Min^{tes}.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Ensign Moses Page seven pounds ten shillings, new currency, (he being at home on furlough,) and to Endorse the same on his first Note for Depreciation. Entered p. 23, Council Min^{tes}, £7–10.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Capt. Caleb Robinson Seven pounds ten shillings, being so much advanced by Vote of Court for conducting Recruits from Exeter to Camp, £7–10.

Friday April 27th. Ordered the Board of War to Deliver to Capt Caleb Robinson four Guns, four Bayonets & four Cartridge Boxes, with necessary ammunition for the Recruits under marching Order & charge the same to the Continent.

Wrote to Mr Jedediah Jewett.

Friday, May 4th. Gave Instructions to Capt. Eben^{r} Dearing, Commanding officer at Piscataqua Harbour.

Committed one John Lawrence (sent to Exeter by Lt Hub^{d} Carter, a Continental Officer,) to Goal on suspicion of being a Deserter.

Wrote to Col^{o} Henry Dearborn, respecting a warrant drawn by the President of Congress ; also, respecting money in Mr Jewett's hands. See Copy of Letters.

Wrote Mr Jewett concerning money in his hands. See Copy of Lett.

Saturday, May 5th. Ordered the Treasurer to let Mr Noah Emery have sixty pounds, new Currency, towards purchasing flour & paying Wid^{o} Hill for barracking Soldiers, &c., And for which he is to be accountable, £60.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Joseph Gilman, Esq., twelve pounds fifteen shillings, being the amount of his Account for firewood supplied the Genl Court & Com^{tee} to the 5th May, 1781. £12–15.

Thursday, May 10th, 1781. Deliver^{d} a Regimental Colour and Standard to Lt Col^{o} Henry Dearborn, and for which he gave his receipt.

Information being given to this Committee by Mr Ladd that one John Lawrence, committed to Goal as a Deserter, had a mind to discover some secrets; received his written confession, which was read and appointed to-morrow for Examination.

Friday, May the 11*th*, 1781. Ordered the Goal Keeper, Mr Ladd, to produce John Lawrence for Examination, who was examined concerning sundry matters.

Received several Letters from the Honble President of Congress, viz: A Circular Letter of the 15th April, enclosing a Resolve of Congress of the 13th Instant, directing the Commander in Chief to transmit to the several States, Lists of the names of all the New Levies belonging to each State.

A Circular Letter of the 19th April enclosing an Ordinance for establishing Courts for the Trial of Piracies & Felonies committed on the high seas: A Letter of the 20th of April, acquainting that the State of New Hampshire is unrepresented in Congress: Also, a Circular Letter of the 21 April, with a general view of the public debts due from the United States.

Saturday, May 12*th*, 1781. Adjourned till Friday next.

Friday, May 18*th*, 1781. Ordered the Treasurer to pay Capt. Ebenezer Dearing fifty one pounds fourteen shill^s and three pence, New Emission, being the amount of the Pay Rolls of the Matross Company & Company of Invalids for the month of April, stationed on Piscataqua River, 51–14–3.

Rec^d a Letter from the Honble the President of Congress with a Copy of a Resolve of Congress enclosed, "recommending to "the States to which they respectively belong to make up the "Depreciation of their pay according to the real value of their "Wages at the time of their establishment to the Officers and "men now or late of the Regiment of Artificers, commanded by "Col° Baldwin."

Ordered the Treasurer to Issue to the Board of War a State Note in favor of the person whom they shall request, the sum of three thousand three hundred & seventy five pounds, Old Emission, payable in one year, and for which they are to be acc^ble, £3375–5.

Saturday, May 19th. Ordered the Treasurer to pay Mr Peter Folsom eight pounds, New Currency, & Endorse the same on Lieut. Jonathan Perkins' first Note for Depreciation which is now in the hands of said Folsom, £8.

Ordered Mr John Taylor Gilman to pay Daniel McMurphy twenty five Dollars, New Emission, to be accounted for out of what may be due to him for Depreciation as a wounded Soldier on half pay.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Thomas Odiorne, Esq., one pound eight shillings & six pence, New Currency, being the Amount of his account for sending an Express to Dover to carry Proclamations, Acts, &c., 1–8–6.

Permitted Simeon Ladd, Goal Keeper, to grant the Liberty of the Town of Exeter to John Lawrence, but not to go without the Bounds of said Town, he finding sufficient Bondsmen for his appearance when called for.

Adjourned till Thursday next.

Thursday, May 24th, 1781. Took into consideration Whether Capt. Samuel Gilman should receive the old Continental Dollars of Me^srs^ Cabbots.

Friday, May 25th. Ordered the Treasurer to Let Lieut. Bezaleel Howe have thirty pounds, New Emission, as a recruiting officer, & for which he is to be accountable.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay John Wendell, Esq., forty six pounds ten shillings, New Currency, and endorse the same on Lieut. Ebenezer Light's first Note for Depreciation, now in the hands of said Wendell.

In consequence of Information from General Washington, by General Heath, of the distresses of the Army for want of Provisions, wrote to Capt. Giddinge and Francis Blood, Esq., Coll^r^ Gen^ls^ of Beef.

Wrote to Col° Samuel Hunt.

Saturday, 26th May. Ordered the Treasurer to pay Lieut. Joshua Merrow seven pounds ten shillings, New Currency, for conducting Recruits to the Army, pursuant to a Vote of the Genl Court.

After Examination had of a person by the name of Jason Tyler, who said he belonged to Wallingford, in the State of Connecticutt, and who was apprehended on suspicion of being inimical to the United States of America, Wrote to His Excellency Governor Trumbull, respecting the aforesaid Jason Tyler; Also, gave orders to Lieut. Joshua Merrow concerning said Tyler & one John Lawrence, a Deserter, from the Connecticutt Line.

Thursday May 31*st*. Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay the Account of Mr Simeon Ladd, amounting to forty six pounds two shillings & nine pence, new Currency, for Boarding State Prisoners, £46–2–9.

Friday, *June* 1*st*, 1781. Ordered the Treasurer to let the Board of War have twenty pounds seven shillings & nine pence three farthings, new Currency, for which they are to be accountable, £20–7–9$\frac{3}{4}$.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Col^{o} Joseph Cilley one hundred pounds, new Currency, and Endorse the same on his first Note for Depreciation, £100.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to let Noah Emery, Junr Ass^{t} Coms^{y} Pur^{ch}, have one hundred pounds, new Cur^{ny}, towards forwarding Beef Cattle to Camp, & for which he is to be accountable, £100.

Saturday, *June* 2*d*.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Lt Joseph Boynton thirty pounds, new Currency, & Endorse the same on his first Note for Depreciation.

Ordered the Board of War to deliver to Lt Joshua Merrow two Guns, two Bayonets & two Cartridge Boxes, with necessary ammunition for the Recruits under marching orders, & charge the same to the Continent.

Ordered Simeon Ladd, Goal keeper, to Deliver into the Custody of Lieut. Joshua Merrow, Jason Tyler and John Lawrence, now under his Charge.

Adjourned till Thursday next.

Friday, *June* 8*th*, 1781. Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay to Capt. Ebenezer Dearing Ninety four pounds eight shillings and one penny, New Currency, being the Amount of his pay Rolls for the month of May, £94–8–1.

Ordered Capt. Ebenezer Dearing to permit Mr William Traill (he having arrived in a Flag from Bermuda,) to come on shore untill further Order of the General Court or Com^{tee} of Safety, he giving his word & Honor that he will not say, do, or act anything against the Interest of any of the thirteen United States of America.

Whereas Mr Willm Nainby, who is arrived in a Flag of Truce from Bermuda, has represented by a Letter to this Com^{tee} that his vessel, by reason of a heavy gale of wind is rendered unfit to return; Directed Capt. Ebenezer Dearing to permit the said Nainby to come on shore, and enter his Protest in common form, and then to return on board immediately; upon his so doing, Capt. Eben^{r} Dearing is to permit such repairs to be made as he shall think necessary for her safe return to Bermuda.

This Committee being informed that Col^{o} Theophilus Dame has an Execution put into his hands by Capt. Saml Gilman, to be served on Col^{o} Stephen Evans for a debt that is due to this State, it is the Opinion of this Committee that it be advisable to stay the serving of said execution untill the Sitting of the General Assembly.

Saturday, June 9th, 1781. Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Z. Fowle thirty seven pounds & seven pence half penny, new Currency, being the Amount of his account for printing sundry Precepts for calling Convention, Proclamations, Acts, &c., £37–0–7½.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Mr Saml Odlin eighteen shillings, new Currency, being the amount of his account as an Express to Dover in the night on the 15th Sept^{r}, 1776, 18 s, N. C.

Information being given to this Com^{tee} that one John Waldron Smith, of Raymond, had uttered words inimical to the United States of America, Ordered said Smith, of Raymond, to be apprehended and brought before the General Court or Com^{tee} of Safety.

Thursday, July 5th, 1781. Ordered the Treas^{r} to Discount with Junia Ingraham, Junr, Collector for Dorchester, one hundred & eighty pounds, Continental money of the old Emission, being so much paid Maj^{r} Jonathan Child, as p^{r} Receipt, £180.

Gave a Permit to Joel Whitney, in the Schooner Resolution,

to export about three hundred Bushels of Corn from the Port of Piscataqua to Machias.

Wrote to Capt. Moses Woodward, Com^{y} Prisoners.

also, gave Orders to Genl Folsom relative to Travel money.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay James Sherrer Six pounds, in bills of the new Emission, & Endorse the same on his first Note for Depreciation, £6.

Gave Instructions to Lieut. Joseph Huntoon Respecting Deserters.

July 5th, 1781. Ordered the Treas^{r} to Let Lt. Joseph Huntoon have nine pounds, new Emission, to enable him to apprehend Deserters, & for which he is to be accountable, £9 settled.

Friday, *July 6th*, 1781. Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Capt. John Odlin Eighteen shillings, new Emission, being the Amount of his Account for a Journey, & for a horse to Newbury Port.

Wrote to Francis Blood, Esq., relative to Beef, &c.

Wrote to the Selectmen of Portsmouth, respecting Rum.

Adjourned till Thursday 3 O'clock.

Thursday, *July 12th*, 1781. Appointed Thursday next to hear the Dispute between New Markett & Stratham about double returns; also, the Dispute between New Markett and Northwood.

Ordered the Treasurer & Noah Emery, Esq., to break up or separate the Types & Flowers with which Bills have been printed, and deliver the same to Mr Daniel Fowle.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay the Account of Mr Simeon Ladd, amounting to three pounds twelve shillings, new Emission, being for a Journey, time, Horse-hire and Expences in apprehending one Jason Tyler, £3–12^{s}.

Desired Mr Emery to receive Beef Cattle, &c.

July 13th. Ordered that the dispute between Nottingham & Gilmantown about William Willey, a Soldier, be heard on Friday next, at which time they are to produce all the Evidence they can in order that the same may be determined.

Saturday, *July 14th*, 1781. Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Capt.

Josiah Gilman forty pounds, new Emission, being in part of his Account which was referred to the Committee of Safety for Adjustment, & for which he is to be accountable, £40.

State of New Hamp^{r}. *In Committee of Safety, Exeter, July 14th*, 1781.

To Thomas Peavy, Daniel Peavy, David Watson, and Josiah Durgin, all of Rochester, in s^{d} State: You are hereby required to make your appearance without fail before this Committee at s^{d} Exeter, on Friday next, at 10 o'Clock in the forenoon, to answer to a Charge exhibited against you by Lieut. Joseph Boynton.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Mr Jedediah Jewett, State Clothier and Coms^{y}, one hundred & eighty pounds, new Emission, in part towards his Wages, and for which he is to be accountable; Also, one hundred & twenty pounds, like money, towards paying Gratuities to Soldiers, and for which he is to be accountable, £180, £120.

Thursday July 19th, 1781. Ordered the Trea^{sr} to Discount seventy two pounds, old Currency, being travel money paid Stephen Harris from said Dublin to Coös, £72.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay the account of Robert Fletcher, Esq., amounting to Six pounds nineteen shillings and six pence, new Currency, for an Express to Exeter in the year 1779, £6–19–6.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to let Genl John Stark have sixty pounds, new Currency, (he having received Orders from his Excellency Genl Washington, to repair to Saratoga to take Command at said place,) and for which he is to be accountable, £60.

Directed Stephen Harriman, Esq., not to call on Genl Stark for payment of three Lotts of Land laying in Dunbarton, &c.

Friday, July 20th, 1781. Ordered the Treasurer to Discount with the Constable of Nottingham Six hundred & one pounds fifteen shillings, old Currency, being the Ballance due to Josiah Goodhue on Capt. Sam^{ll} Runnalls pay Roll & Endorse the same on the Order given for the pay of said Roll; also, Six hundred & twenty four pounds one shilling, old Currency, being the Ballance due to Gilman Clough on the aforesaid Pay Roll, & Endorse the same on the aforesaid Order.

Took into Consideration the Rescue of Josiah Durgin. Ordered that he wait the further Orders of this Committee.

Friday, *July* 20*th*, 1781. Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Captn Ebenezer Dearing one hundred & thirty four pounds six shillings & one penny half penny, new Currency, being the amount of the pay Roll of his Matross Company & Company of Invalids for the month of June, 1781.

Gave Capt. Dearing Orders to stop the wages of sundry Deserters.

Gave Capt. Dearing Directions relative to Court Martials.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to Let Captn Eliphalet Giddinge have one hundred & fifty pounds, new Currency, for which he is to be accountable, £150.

Wrote to Francis Blood, Esq., relative to sending forward Beef Cattle, &c.

Saturday, *July* 21, 1781. Ordered Capt. Eliphalet Giddinge, Coll^{r} Genl of Beef Cattle, to Deliver ten Barrels of Salted Beef to Col^{o} Supply Clapp, Coms^{y} of Purchases, for the use of the Troops stationed for the Defence of Piscataqua Harbour.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to let Col^{o} Supply Clapp, Coms^{y} of Purchases, have three hundred pounds, new Emission, for which he is to be accountable, £300.

This day Col^{o} Hubbard appeared before this Committee and informed them that there were sundry pay Rolls & also a Ballance of money remaining in his hands, & desired to know what should be done with them: Upon which this Committee gave it as their Opinion that they remain at present as they are.

Ordered the Loan Officer to let Noah Emery, Junr, have three hundred pounds, new Emission, towards forwarding beef Cattle to the Army, and for which he is to be accountable, £300.

Thursday, *July* 26*th*, 1781. Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Ensign Bradley Richards eighteen pounds, new Emission, and Endorse the same on his first Note for Depreciation, £18.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Serg^{t} Aaron Copp twelve pounds, new Emission, and Endorse the same on his first Note for Depreciation, £12.

Friday, July 27th. Appointed Mr John Balch a Post-rider for the term of three months, and agreed with said Balch to set out from Portsmouth on Saturday morning and to ride to Haverhill, by the way of Conway, Plymouth, thence down the River to Charlestown, Keene, & to Portsmouth again, every fourteen days during said term, For which Service he shall receive the sum of seventy hard Dollars, or paper money Equivalent.

Saturday, 28th July, 1781. Ordered the Treas^r^ to let Mr John Balch have thirty pounds, new Emission, to enable him to ride as a Post, and for which he is to be accountable, £30.

Wrote to the following Col^os^ : Timothy Ellis, Com^dr^ of the late Col° Bellows' Regt., Israel Morey, Jon^a^ Chase & David Webster, respecting the men to be raised for the Defence of the Western Frontiers.

Wrote to Col° Samuel Hunt respecting his appointment as Assistant Deputy Quarter Master.

Ordered the Treas^r^ to let Mr John Balch have three hundred pounds, new Emission, which he is to deliver to Col° Samuel Hunt, to enable him, the said Hunt, to send forward the Beef Cattle to the Army, and for which he is to be accountable, £300.

Thursday, August 2d, 1781. One John Sinclere Gibson was brought before this Committee on suspicion of being inimical to the United States of America. After examination, was Committed to Goal untill further Order of this Committee, or untill he should be discharged by due Course of Law.

Friday, August 3d, 1781. Received a Letter from Commissary Bickford relative to damag'd Beef, &c.

Received a Letter from Capt. Dearing relative to difficulties at the Forts ; Also, a Petition from Matross Company, &c.

A Circular Letter from the Hon^bl^ President of Congress, inclosing an Act of Congress respecting French Seamen, was received ; also, one from each of the Delegates of this State.

Wrote Thos Bickford, Coms^y^ of Issues, respecting Damag'd Beef.

Wrote an answer to Petition from the Soldiers at the Forts at Piscataqua Harbour.

Saturday, August 4th. Ordered Capt. Eliphalet Giddinge, Coll^{r} Genl Beef Cattle, to Deliver twelve Barrels of Salted Beef to Col^{o} S. Clapp, Coms^{y} Purchases, for the use of the Troops Stationed at the forts for the Defence of Piscataqua.

Thursday, August 9th. This Committee took into Consideration the Petition of the Inhabitants of the Town of Conway & others relative to the distressed situation of sundry Towns on the western frontiers.

A Letter from Capt. Jeremiah Eames, relative to Soldiers being sent for their protection, was received.

Friday, 10th August. A Letter from Col^{o} Timothy Ellis was received relative to Vermont.

Ordered the Treasurer to let Mr John Taylor Gilman have three hundred pounds, New Emission, toward paying those officers & Soldiers who are upon the half-pay Roll, & for which he is to be accountable, £300.

Ordered the Treasurer to Discount with the Collector of Oxford Six thousand one hundred & ninety Dollars, old Currency, toward taxes for the year 1779, being so much paid to Maj^{r} Jon^{a} Child, as per Receipt. Also, Eight thousand eight hundred & forty eight Dollars, towards taxes for the year 1780, being so much paid to Maj^{r} Jon^{a} Child, as per Receipt, 6190 Doll, 8848 Doll.

Ordered the Board of War to Deliver to Col^{o} Page & Joseph Whipple, Esq., twenty Musketts, two hundred flints, one hundred w^{t} Powder, & two hundred w^{t} of Lead, for which they are to be accountable, 20 musketts, 200 flints, 1 c^{t} w^{t} powder, 1 c^{t} w^{t} Lead.

Wrote to the Inhabitants of the Town of Conway, &c., in Answer to their Petition.

Gave directions for a Company of thirty men to be raised for the Defence of the western frontier, &c. also, the appointment of a Lieut.

Desired Col^{o} Page & Joseph Whipple, Esq., to procure & deliver the Provisions, &c., to the men who are to be raised for the Defence of the western frontiers, & that their account of the Expences thereof should be allowed.

Wrote to Col^{o} Charles Johnston relative to the men raised by Col^{o} David Webster for the defence of the western frontiers.

An Act of Congress dated the 23rd of July, 1781, to open a Subscription of thirty thousand dollars for the distressed Citizens of South Carolina and Georgia; An Act of Congress of the 24th of July, 1781, appointing Persons to open a Subscription for a Loan; A Letter from the Honble the President of Congress, dated the 25th of July, 1781, relative to an Act of Congress for a Loan; also, a Letter relative to men & supplies; A Letter from His Excellency Genl Washington, dated the 2d of August, 1781, respecting the new Levies & Militia required of this State; A Letter from Samuel Livermore, Esq., dated the 24th of July, 1781, relative to Bills of Exchange, &c.; A Letter from Samuel Tufts, Esq., to Thos Odiorne, Esq., respecting John Stinson; also, sundry papers, respecting Rt Young, were received.

Saturday, Aug'st 11th. Ordered the Treasr to let Mr Moses Woodward, Comsy Prissr, have thirty pounds, new Emission, for which he is to be accountable, £30.

Wrote to Colo Ellis.

Thursday, 16th Aug'st, 1781. A Letter from Thos Bickford, Comsy Issues, respecting damag'd Beef, was received.

A Letter of the 8th of August from Genl Stark, was received.

A Petition from Wm Lovegrove, of Nova Scotia, a Prisoner, was received.

Friday, 17th August, 1781. Ordered Mr Isaac Williams, Dy Is. Coy, to deliver to the Goal keeper Rations of Provisions for all the Prisoners of War who are now or may be confined in Goal untill further Order.

William Lovegrove, of Canso, in the Province of Nova Scotia, after giving his Parole of honor, was permitted to go to Portsmouth, and to return to Exeter again when called for.

Saturday, August 18th. Desired Capt. Moses Woodward, Comsy Pris, with the advice of those Gentlemen at Portsmo who belong to the General Court, to grant Paroles of Honor unto those Prisoners of War now at Portsmo whom you & they shall think fit, giving them the liberty of the Town of Portsmouth untill further Orders.

Ordered the Loan Officer to let Mr Noah Emery, Junr, have nine hundred pounds, new Emission, to enable him to send beef Cattle to Camp and for which he is to be accountable, £900.

Wrote to John Hopkins, Esq., Dep^{ty} Coms^{y} Genl Prisoners.

Granted the liberty of the Town of Exeter unto Capt. John Hawks, he having given his Parole of Honor that he will not say or do, or cause to be said or done, anything against the Interest of the United States of America, or either of them, nor go out of said Town without the permission of the General Court or Committee of Safety.

Wrote to John Calfe, Esq., inclosing a warrant to apprehend Robert Young, of Salem.

Wednesday, *August* 22*d*, 1781. Ordered the Loan officer to pay out of the Loan office to Mr Samuel Trott, Six hundred pounds, New Emission, which he, the said Trott, is to deliver to Col^{o} Sam^{ll} Hunt, to enable him to send forward Beef Cattle to Camp, & for which he, the said Col^{o} S. Hunt is to be accountable, £600.

Thursday, *Sept.* 6*th*, 1781.

Granted the liberty of the Town of Exeter to John Sinkler Gibson, a Prisoner in Goal until further Orders, He behaving himself as a good Subject of this & the United States, but not to go out of said Town without the permission of the General Court or Committee of Safety.

Friday, *Sept.* 7*th.*

Heard sundry disputes about double Returns.

Saturday, *Sept.* 8*th.* Ordered the Committee on Claims to certify to the President the Sum or Sums due to any of the six months men when applyed for, agreeably to the Vote of the Genl Assembly of the 1st of Sept. 1781.

His Honor the President received two Letters, One from His Excellency General Washington, and the other from Genl Heath, upon which the Committee were desired to attend on Tuesday, 10 O'Clock.

Tuesday, 11*th Sept.* 1781. took into consideration the above

mentioned Letters. required the Col^{os} to give Orders immediately for the marching of two thirds of the Militia apportioned to their Regiments by an Act of the Genl Court of the 4th July last.

Wrote to Lt Col^{o} Daniel Runnels, desiring his attendance at Exeter on Thursday next, if possible.

Wednesday, 12*th Sept.* 1781. Appointed Friday twenty first of this Ins^{t}, to hear the disputes concerning Robert Livingston, Samuel Boyd, Andrew White & Saml Davis, Soldiers claimed by sundry Towns.

Thursday, 13*th Sept.* Made out a commission for Daniel Raynolds, Esq., as Lt Col^{o} Commandant of the Regiment of Militia raised to reinforce the Continental Army, dated June 28th, 1781.

Gave Instructions to Daniel Raynolds, Esq., Lt Col^{o} Com^{dt}.

Gave a Permit for Patrick Furnace to transport fifty seven Bushels of Grain & 50 Shook Hogsheads in the Schooner Friendship from the Port of Piscataqua to Cape Ann.

Appointed Doct^{r} Page a Surgeon to the Regiment raised to reinforce the Continental Army, whereof Daniel Raynolds, Esq,, is Lt Col^{o} Commandant.

Friday, 14*th Sept'r.*

Wrote to Mr John White, Junr, of Haverhill, relative to Rum.

Saturday, 15*th Sept'r.* Had a Conference with Capt. Samuel Gilman relative to sundry Lotts of Land belonging to Absentees in Lime, which were advertized for Sale by the Collector of said Town in the New Hampshire Gazette.

Thursday 20*th Sept'r.* Appointed Saturday, 6th of October next, to hear Double Returns between Somersworth & Wakefield, Kensington & Wakefield, Nottingham & Wakefield.

Friday, 21*st Sept'r.* Appointed Friday, the 5th of October next, to hear the disputes about Joseph Smith, a Soldier claimed by Boscawen, Plaistow, Plymouth & Wentworth. Also, Joshua Wilson, claimed by Goffstown & New Chester, postponed untill 19th Oct^{o}, and John Clark claimed by New Chester & Hampstead.

Wednesday, *Sept*, 26*th.* The Committee being called together

by Express, met, and took into consideration a Letter from General Heath relative to militia; wrote to Lt Col^{o} Daniel Raynolds, and gave instructions to Capt. Gorden, sent as Express to Col^{o} Raynolds, at Springfield.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Col^{o} John McClary ten Silver Dollars, to be delivered to Capt. Daniel Gorden, an Express sent to Springfield, and for which said Gorden is to be accountable, 10 Dol.

Thursday, 27*th*, 1781.

Wrote to sundry Colonels relative to the militia. To Col^{o} Samuel Hunt, Francis Blood, Esq., Col^{o} Daniel Raynolds, Genl Bellows, Col^{o} Charles Johnston, Genl Heath.

Ordered that the Resolves of Congress of the 7th of August, 1781, relative to Vermont, be printed, with the order of Com^{tee} thereon, and sent to the several towns in the Counties of Cheshire and Grafton.

Friday, 28*th Sept.* Ordered the officer appointed to pay the wounded officers & Soldiers on the half pay Roll, To pay Lt Daniel McMurphy thirty pounds, new Emission, for which he is to be accountable on said Roll, £30.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Capt. Joseph Burt twelve pounds, new Emission, for his expences in waiting for and forwarding sundry letters to the western parts of this State, £12.

Appointed this day three weeks to hear the disputes between the Town of Hampstead & New Chester respecting John Clark. Also, the dispute between the Towns of Chester, Sandown & New Chester concerning Peter Wells. Likewise the dispute between the Towns of Atkinson & New Chester respecting Sterling Heath.

Thursday, *Oct'o 4th.* Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Capt. James Aiken Seven pounds one shilling, new Emission, being for his time and expences in making up two pay Rolls, £7–1–0.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Lt Daniel McMurphy one hundred and eleven pounds two shillings & nine pence, new Emission, being for his wages, &c., and Interest thereon due to him on Capt. Aikens' pay Roll for the three months men in 1780. Also, twenty eight pounds sixteen shillings & nine pence, due to Jonathan

Ingalls, & twenty eight pounds sixteen shillings and nine pence, due to Nathan Colby, & twenty eight pounds sixteen shillings & nine pence, new Emission, due to Jon^{a} Clark, as appears by the aforesaid pay Rolls of Capt. Aiken, £111–2–9, £28–16–9, £28–16–9, £28–16–9.

Friday, Oct'o 5th. Heard & Determined sundry disputes about double Returns.

Saturday, 6th Oct'o. Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Ezekiel Morril nine pounds, new Emission, and Endorse the same on Thomas Haines' first Note for Depreciation, £9.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Lt John Holbrook forty five pounds, new Emission, and for which he is to be accountable. also, to pay Reuben Partridge three hundred pounds, new Emission, which he is to deliver to Francis Blood, Esq., to enable him to collect beef Cattle, and for which said Blood is to be accountable, £45, £300.

Saturday, 6th, 1781.

Wrote to Francis Blood, Esq.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Josiah Brown thirteen pounds four shillings, new Emission, being the Amount of his Account for time & expences in bringing John Sinkler Gibson, a prisoner, from Col^{o} Websters' at Plymouth to Col^{o} Stickneys' at Concord, £13–4.

Ordered the Board of War to send forward to Col^{o} Sam^{ll} Hunt, at Charlestown, No. 4, three hundred weight of Powder, six hundred w^{t} of Lead or Balls, and one thousand flints, for supplying the Regiment of militia under the Command of Col^{o} Raynolds at that place, and for which they are to take Col^{o} Hunt's Receipt.

Wrote to Col^{o} Saml Hunt.

Friday, Oct'o 12th. Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Capt. Benj. Norris for the use of Capt. Ebenezer Frye, fifteen pounds, new Emission, and Endorse the same on Prime Thompson's first Note for Depreciation, £15.

Wrote to William Page, Esqr, Issuing Coms^{y} at Charlestown.

Directed Francis Blood, Esq., to sell Beef Cattle for hard money, also, to receive beef or flour from Individuals.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to Deliver to Capt. Henry Butler the order drawn for the payment of his pay Roll of the three months men in the year 1780, and Charge the State with the sum of one hundred pounds, paid in part of said Order for nine hundred & forty one pounds nineteen shillings & five pence, £100, 941–19–5.

Saturday, Oct'o 13th. Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Capt. Henry Butler Eighty six pounds fifteen shillings & three pence, New Emission, being the balance due to him for wages, Rations & Expences of settling his Roll & Interest thereon. also, to pay Mr John Hopkinson thirty nine pounds twelve shillings, new Emission, & take up six Notes which he has against the State, dated Septr 22^{d}, 1780, £86–15^{s}–3^{d}, 39–12–0.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Capt. Richard Sinclair two hundred and ninety two pounds one shilling, new Emission, being for Wages, Subsistance money, &c., &c., due to him, Winthrop Durgin, Bradbury Richardson & Ensign Richard Sinclair in 3 months Service at West Point, in the year 1780.

Thursday, Oct'o 18th. took into consideration the Memorial of Mr John Clark, of Landaff.

Friday, 19th.
wrote to Col^{o} Charles Johnston.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Capt. Benj^{a} Whittier one hundred and twelve pounds twelve shillings & nine pence, new Emission, being the Balance due to him for wages, Subsistance money, &c., &c., Time, Charges, &c., making up Pay Rolls, &c., 112–12–9.

The dispute concerning Peter Wells postponed to this day frt^{nt}.

Determined sundry disputes about double Returns.

Saturday, Oct'o 20th. Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Mr John Balch forty five pounds, new Emission, in part of his pay for riding as Post, and for which he is to be accountable, £45.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay John Calfe, Esq., twelve pounds, new Emission, in favor of Ensign Bradley Richards, and Endorse the same on s^{d} Richards' first Note for Depreciation, £12.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Lieut. James Blanchard five hundred and thirty two pounds sixteen shillings, new emission, and take up his first note for Depreciation, £532–16^{s}.

Thursday, *Octo.* 25*th*, 1781. Ordered the Treas^{r} to deliver to Col^{o} Thomas Bartlett his Order for the Ballance of his pay Roll, and Charge the State with one hundred & sixty five pounds, new Emission. also, to Deliver Capt. Moses Leavitt his Order for the Amount of his pay Roll, & Charge the State with thirty pounds, new Emission. Likewise to Deliver to Capt. Daniel Jewell his Order for the Amount of his pay Roll, and Charge the State with one hundred & twenty pounds, new Emission. (The aforesaid Charges are Endorsed on said Orders.) £165, £30, £120.

Wrote to Capt. Moses Woodward, Coms^{y} Pris^{rs}.

Received and allowed the Account of Col^{o} Thomas Bartlett.

Friday, 26*th Octo.*, 1781. Ordered the Treas^{r} to deliver to Capt. Samuel Runnels his Order for the balance of his pay Roll, and Charge the State with two hundred & twenty two pounds eleven shillings & six pence, new Emission, paid in part of s^{d} Order, £222–11–6.

Agreed with Mr Balch to ride twice more.

Received & allowed the Account of Capt. Sam^{ll} Runnels.

Friday 26*th*, 1781. Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Lieut. Joseph Boynton fifteen pounds, new Emission, for the purpose of paying the Expences of sending prisoners to the Army, and for which he is to be accountable, £15.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Capt. Moses Leavitt ten pounds twelve shillings & three pence, new Emission, being for time, Expences, money paid, &c., as p^{r} Account, £10–12–3.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Capt. Daniel Jewell one hundred and eight pounds one shilling & six pence, new Emission, being for wages, &c., and Interest thereon, money paid to sundry Soldiers, time & expence in making & settling pay Rolls, &c., as will appear by his Account allowed this day, £108–1–6.

Ordered the Board of War to deliver to Capt. Eliph^{t} Ladd forty pounds of Powder.

Wrote to Capt. Moses Woodward, Coms^{y} Pris^{rs}.

Friday, October 26th, 1781. Annoque Reipublicæ Americanæ Sexto.

Three quarters after four O'Clock Received the agreeable Intelligence of the UNCONDITIONAL Surrender of the proud Cornwallis with his whole Army to the ILLUSTRIOUS WASHINGTON, on the 19th Instant.

Thursday, 1 *Nov'r*, 1781. Ordered the Treasurer to pay John Lane seventy nine pounds seven shillings, new emission, being in full for a Note N°. 1851, and dated the first day of January, 1780, and Take up Said Note, £79–7–0.

Friday, 2*d Nov'r*. Ordered the Treasr to pay Lieut. David Page thirty pounds, new Emission, and Endorse the same on Benjamin Page's Note (N°. 127,) for Depreciation, £30.

Wrote to Coll° Charles Johnston.

Granted three Warrants to apprehend Robert Young, John Young and Abraham Reed.

Ordered the Treasr to pay Capt. Elipht Giddinge, Collector Genl Beef Cattle, one hundred & twenty pounds, new Emission, towards Collecting Beef Cattle, and for which he is to be accountable, £120.

Saturday, 3*d Nov'r*, 1781. Ordered the Treasr to pay Capt. Josiah Gilman forty five pounds, new Emission, in part of his account, and for which he is to be accountable, £45.

Ordered the Treasr to pay Mr John Taylor Gilman four pounds ten shillings, new Emission, being for time, horse hire, Expences, &c., by desire of Comtee of Safety, £4–10.

Friday, *Nov'r* 9, 1781. Ordered the Treasr to pay Ezekiel Ladd forty five pounds, new Emission, which he is to deliver to Joshua Young, Comsy, and for which the said Young is to be accountable, £45.

Nov'r 14*th*, 1781. Ordered the Treasr to Deliver to Lieut. Robert Clark his Order for the payment of his Roll for three months men in 1780, and Charge the State with thirty pounds, new Emission, which Sum was paid by sd Treasr and Endorsed on said Order.

Permitted James Chaffey, in the Schooner Duck, to export about one hundred Bushels of Indian Corn for Marbicas.

Nov'r 23. Ordered the Treas^{r} to Deliver Capt. Ebenezer Webster his Order for the payment of his pay Roll, & Charge the State with one hundred & forty three pounds fifteen shillings, new Emission, paid by s^{d} Treas^{r} & Endorsed on said Order.

Nov'r 29*th*, 1781. Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay the Honble Mesheck Weare, Esq., Presid^{t}, 5 Dollars in specie, and twenty five dollars in new Emission, being for the like sum advanced to Josiah Harris, Esqr, in part of his Account. Order returned the 5th December, 1781, 5 Dollars specie.

Nov'r 30*th*, 1781. Directed the Board of War to sell all the Horses they have on hand belonging to this State, (excepting nine of the best waggon horses which they are to reserve for the use of the State,) taking for payment Specie Bills of the new Emission or public Securities of this State.

This day Robert Young appeared before this Committee, who was apprehended on Suspicion of being inimical to this and the united States; after examining Sundry Evidences, Ordered that the said Robert Young should give Bonds for his good Behaviour and that he should appear before the General Court or their Committee when called thereto, which Bond was given in presence of said Committee of Safety.

Saturday, 1 *December*, 1781. Desired Mr Simeon Ladd to advertize and sell at public Vendue, on Thursday next, a Horse belonging to an Absentee from said State, for which State Securities may be taken in payment.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to Let John Balch have and receive fifteen pounds, new Emission, for which he is to be accountable, £15.

Tuesday, 4*th December*, 1781. The Committee having met (being Summoned by His Honour the President,) took into consideration a Letter from Honble Benjamin Bellows, Esq., relative to the imprisonment of the Sheriff of the County of Cheshire, by the pretended authority of Vermont. Adjourned till 9 o'Clock to-morrow morning.

Wednesday, 5*th December*, 1781. The Committee having resumed the further consideration of the above mentioned Letter,

Gave directions to the Sheriff of the County of Cheshire, inclosing two Warrants.

Gave Orders to Brig^{dr} Genl Moses Nichols, also, to Brig^{dr} General Benjamin Bellows, and gave directions to Francis Blood, Esq., to supply the Troops who are ordered to liberate Col^{o} Enoch Hale, with Provisions.

Passed and allowed the pay Roll of Lt Peter Stearns for a number of men raised for the defense of the western frontiers, amounting in good money to one hundred and thirty seven pounds four shillings, £137–4.

7*th December*, 1781. Directed Noah Emery, Junr, to sell for Specie a quantity of Rum now in his Custody, not exceeding six Barrels, to enable him to send forward Beef Cattle to the Army.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Col^{o} Noah Lovewell six pounds, new Emission, being the Amount of his Account To a Journey to Exeter to make Returns, by order of Com^{tee} of Safety, of the militia raised by an Act of the Genl Court in Sept. last.

Ordered Noah Emery, Junr, to Deliver to Lt Bez^{l} Howe twenty gallons of West India Rum, and Charge the same to the united States. (The above Order was returned Jany 19th, 1782.)

Received the following Letters, viz: From President of Congress of the —— 1781, Deficiency of a Representation; from Financier, dated 17th November, 1781; Objections to three Clauses in an Act of Congress of the 2^{d} Nov^{r}, 1781; Two Acts of Congress of the 30th of Oct^{o} & 2^{d} Novem^{r}, 1781; The respective States to furnish the treasury of the united States with their Quotas of eight Millions of Dollars for the War department & civil List.

Saturday, 8*th Decem'r*, 1781. Desired James Rundlett to examine the Salted Beef belonging to this State, now in the Custody of Capt. Eliphalet Giddinge, Collec^{tr} Genl of Beef, and report to this Com^{tee} the situation thereof as soon as may be.

Saturday, 12*th Decem'r*. Ordered the Treasurer to pay Joseph Gilman, Esq., six pounds, in Specie, being for firewood as per Acc^{t}.

Also, twenty five pounds, in Specie, use of Room, &c., as per Acc^{t}, £6–0–0
25–0–0

31–0–0

Conditions of Sale of Excise on Spirituous Liquors in the Several Counties in this State, are entered page 116 Copy Lett^{rs}.

Tuesday, 18*th Dec'r*, 1781. Ordered the Treas^{r} to Discount with the Collector of Cockermouth two thousand one hundred and sixty pounds, in bills of the old Emission, out of the taxes due from the said town of Cockermouth for the year 1780, being so much paid to Maj^{r} Jonathan Child, as per Receipt will Appear.

Also, thirty pounds, in bills of the old Emission, out of the taxes due from said town for the year 1780, being so much paid by the Selectmen of said town to Asael Buell for travelling & billeting money from Cockermouth to Haverhill, as per Receipt will appear.

A Return of the Sale of Excise in the several Counties of this State.

Capt. Simeon Ladd appointed Vendue Master.

The Excise in the County of Rockingham struck off to Benjamin Butler, Esq., for four hundred & five pounds, £405
County of Strafford to Benj^{a} Butler, Esq., for 150
" " Hillsbor^{o} to Richard Jenness, Esq., for 180
" " Cheshire to Richard Jenness, Esq., for 46
" " Grafton to Richard Jenness, Esq., for 36

£817

Dec'r 27. Wrote to Mr Jonathan Martin, inclosing a warrant to apprehend sundry persons in the County of Cheshire.

also, to Mr Robert Smith, inclosing a Warrant to apprehend one Benjamin Giles, Esq.

28*th*. Ordered the Treasurer to pay John Balch fifteen Pounds, new Emission, in part towards his account as Post rider, and for which he is to be accountable, £15.

1782. *Jan'y* 7.

Nath[l] Sartel Prentice, of Alstead, in the County of Cheshire, was apprehended & brought before the Committee. Upon examination, it appearing that he had acted within this State as an Officer under the pretended and usurped authority of the State of Vermont, so called, was committed to Goal.

Wrote to Col[o] Morey.

19*th*, *Saturday*. Ordered the Treasurer to pay John Balch, Car[r], Six pounds, in Specie, towards his Account, and for which he is to be accountable.

Desired M[r] John White, Jun[r], to deliver to Capt. Jeremiah Eames two Barrels of New England Rum, and for which said Eames is to be accountable, as p[r] Receipt.

Wrote to Col[o] Joshua Wentworth, desiring him to give Orders to M[r] John White, Jun[r], to deliver to the Com[tee] of Safety, or their Order, such quantities of Rum as they may give Order for from time to time, & inclose the same to the Committee of Safety, to be by them forwarded to M[r] White. Likewise an order on the Receiver of Rum in Boston, to be sent forward by Com[tee] of Safety.

Ordered the Board of War to Deliver to L[t] Bezaleel Howe, recruiting Officer in this State, twenty two Gallons of West India Rum, and Charge the same to the United States.

Ordered the Board of War to deliver to the recruiting Officers & Soldiers now in this State to the value of one month's pay in Beef & Rum, in the same manner as is directed for those who are on furlough.

Adjourned untill next Wednesday.

Friday, *Jan'y* 25*th*. Wrote to Capt. Dearing, desiring him to return an Inventory of the State of the Batteries and all manner of Utensils, Boats, &c., &c., thereto belonging, to the Committee of Safety of said State, as soon as may be. And also give Capt. Salter a Copy of said Inventory.

Ordered Capt. Salter to call on Richard Sharman and Peter Barter, two Invalids, to do Garrison Duty at the Forts at Piscataqua Harbour.

Ordered the Board of War at Portsmouth to furnish Richard Sharman & Peter Barter with such Cloathing as may be necessary to enable them to do Duty at the Harbour.

Saturday, *Jan'y* 26*th*, 1782. Ordered Capt. Eliphalet Giddinge, Coll. Gen. B. C. to deliver to Simeon Ladd, Goal Keeper, One Yoke of Oxen, taking his Receipt for the weight of said Oxen, and for which he is to be accountable. (Order returned Feby 23, 1782.)

Wrote to Col^{o} Jabez Hatch, inclosing an Extract respecting Rum.

Also, desired Mr Nathl Barrett to deliver to Mr Noah Emery, Junr, D. Q. M., all the Rum in his Custody belonging to the State of New Hampshire.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to let Noah Emery, Junr, D. Q. M. have out of the Treasury thirty pounds, new Emission, and for which he is to be accountable.

Gave Instructions to Noah Emery, D. Q. M., relative to this State's Rum in Boston.

Adjourned till Thursday next.

Thursday, *Jan'y* 31, 1782. Ordered the Treasurer to pay Serg^{t} Caleb Huut Twelve shillings, lawfull Money, being so much paid by him to Doct. Granger for attendance on said Hunt when sick and Wounded.

Friday, 1 *Feb'y*, 1782. Desired Francis Blood, Esq., to deliver to Genl John Stark, or his Order, One good Yoke of Oxen, taking his receipt for the same, and for which he is to be accountable. (Order returned.)

Also, desired Mr White to deliver to Genl Stark, or his Order, One Hogshead of West India Rum, out of the Rum now in his Custody belonging to s^{d} State, taking his Receipt therefor, to be accountable.

Ordered the Board of War to deliver to Lieut. Joseph Huntoon one Barrel of salted Beef, belonging to this State, taking his Receipt for the same, & for which he is to be accountable.

Ordered Mr White to Deliver to Lieut. Joseph Huntoon one Barrel of New England Rum out of the Rum now in his Custody

belonging to this State, taking his Receipt for the Same, and for which he is to be accountable.

Saturday, Feb'y 2d, 1782. Ordered Capt. Eliphalet Giddinge, Coll. Gen[l] B. C., to Deliver to M[r] Fowle One Barrel of Salted Beef, out of Beef now in your Custody belonging to this State, taking his Receipt for the same, and for which he is to be accountable.

Ordered the Treasurer to Discount with the Selectmen of Marlborough, out of their Tax for the year 1780, Seventy two pounds six shillings and six pence, old Currency, being a tax on land lately belonging to Breed Batcheldor, an Absentee. Also, seventy two pounds fifteen shillings and three pence, like money, being a tax on land belonging to Elijah Williams, an Absentee, 72–6–6.

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Wrote to Capt. Salter.

Friday, Feb'y 8th, 1782. Passed & allowed the Account of Tho[s] Odiorne, Esq[r], Amounting to thirty one pounds, lawfull money, to be paid when the State of the Treasury will admit thereof.

Also, Ordered the Treasurer to issue a Note to said Odiorne for the aforesaid thirty one pounds, pursuant to a Resolve of the General Court of the 18th Jan[y], 1782, Note £31.

Ordered the Board of War to Deliver to L[t] Joseph Boynton, recruiting officer, twenty Gallons West India Rum, and charge the same to the United States, and for which he is to be accountable.

Ordered the Treas[r] to pay L[t] Joseph Boynton one pound two shillings & six pence, lawful money, being for Expences in carrying Henry Tufts to Newbury Goal, £1–2–6.

Saturday, Feb'y 9th. Ordered Capt. Eliph[t] Giddinge, C. G. B. C., to Discount with the Selectmen of Portsmouth four thousand two hundred & fifty two pounds weight of Beef out of their Beef Tax for 1781.

Adjourned till Thursday next.

Feb'y 15*th.* Allowed & Settled the Account of Capt. Shubael Geer for purchasing Horses, a Balance amounting to seven pounds ten shillings and five pence, lawfull money. Also, Ordered the Treas^{r} to Issue a Note to said Geer for the above Balance, £7–10–5.

Ordered the Treasurer to Issue a Note to Samuel Potter for thirty four pounds seventeen shillings, good money, in the same manner & form as for depreciation, being for extra wages at 20^{s} per month, in lieu of the State's Bounty, Note £34–17.

Ordered the Treasurer to Credit the Selectmen of Kingston with Seven thousand pounds weight of Beef, being to that amount supply'd in New England Rum, in pursuance of a Vote of the General Court.

16*th*, *Saturday.* Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Joseph Steel thirty six Shillings, Lawful money, being in part of his Expences as a Witness in behalf of the Governm^{t} and People of said State, £1–16–0.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay John Balch twenty pounds, New Emission, being in part towards his pay as Post rider, and for which he is to be accountable, £20.

Ordered the Board of War to sell three hundred w^{t} of Powder & two Hogshead of Rum for the purpose of purchasing Cloathing for Soldiers.

Wrote to Brigd^{r} Genl Benjamin Bellows, desiring him to give this Committee the best information he is able, of the number of Persons and their Names, who have accepted of the Proposals offered in a Proclamation and sent to the western parts of said State, after the Expiration of the term of time allowed in said Proclamation.

Wrote to Coll^{o} Hunt, Captn Goldsmith, Mr Nathl Bingham and Captn Burt, relative to Supplies of Provisions, particularly Wheat and Flour, for the Troops which have been ordered to be raised for the Support of the Civil Authority in the western parts of said State.

Friday, *Feb'y* 22*d*, 1782. Ordered the Treas^{ry} to Pay Joseph Pearson three pounds, lawful money, for purchasing Paper and other Articles for the use of the Genl Court, and for which he is

to be accountable.* (Accounted for in his Acco^{t} Decem^{r} 13th, 1782.)

Saturday, Feb'ry 23rd. Ordered the Treas^{r} to Issue a Note to Caleb Young for sixteen pounds five shillings and nine pence, lawful money, in pursuance of a Resolve of the General Court of the 18th of Jan^{y}, 1782, £16–5–9.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to Issue a Note to Col^{o} John McClary for eight pounds nineteen shillings & eleven pence, lawful money, in pursuance of a Resolve of Court of the 18th of Jan^{y}, 1782, being so much due to Joseph Seavy, as appears by Capt. Butler's pay Roll for 3mo men in 1780.

Wrote to the Honble Sam^{ll} Livermore, Esq.

Thursday, Feb'y 28, 1782. Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Col^{o} Supply Clapp thirty one pounds eighteen Shillings, in Specie, and for which he is to be accountable as Agent Victualler.

Desired Mr John White, of Haverhill, to deliver to Genl John Stark one Hogshead of West India Rum, out of the Rum now in his Custody & belonging to this State, taking his Receipt for the Same, and for which he is to be accountable.

Friday, 1 *March,* 1782. Ordered the Treas^{r} to Pay Col^{o} Supply Clapp, Agent Victualler, Sixty pounds, in Specie, and for which he is to be accountable, £60.

Ordered the Board of War to deliver to Capt. Isaac Frye his allowance for a month's pay in New England Rum.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Simeon Ladd, Goal Keeper, fifty five pounds twelve shillings and two pence, in Specie, being the Amount of his account to Jany 9th, 1782.

Ordered the Board of War to deliver one month's pay to Capt. Benj^{a} Ellis in West India Rum.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Eliphalet Hale two pounds nine shillings & three pence, in Specie, for inspecting Soldiers' Shoes in 1781.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to Discount with the Selectmen of Meredith, out of their State Tax for 1781, Ten pounds four shillings and four pence, in Specie. Also, forty five pounds fourteen shillings & six pence, New Emission, being so much paid to sundry

Soldiers in Capt. Smith's Company, raised for the Northern Frontiers.

Ordered Capt. Giddinge to Deliver to Lieut. Joseph Huntoon one Barrel of salted Beef, belonging to this State, taking his Receipt for the same, & for which he is to be accountable.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Col° Tim° Ellis one pound sixteen shillings, in Specie, in full for mustering &c, 19 men Del^d to Capt. Burt.

Thursday, 7th March, 1782. Ordered the Board of War to deliver to Col° George Reed, in Rum, the one month's pay which was ordered for the Officers & Soldiers by the General Assembly. Also, to deliver to Capt. Saml Cherry, in Rum, the One month's pay which was ordered for the Officers & Soldiers by the Genl Assembly.

Ordered the Board of War to Deliver to Mr Jedediah Jewett the one month's pay in Beef and Rum (as Major) which was ordered for the Officers & Soldiers by the General Assembly. (Order return'd & one granted 26th Septem^r, 1782, On Capt. Giddinge.)

Friday, March 8th, 1782. Ordered the Board of War to Deliver to Capt. Daniel Livermore, in Rum, the one month's pay which was Ordered for the officers & Soldiers by the General Assembly.

Ordered the Board of War to deliver to Capt. Josiah Moulton Sixty pounds weight of Powder, and take up in a State Note of one hundred & fifty pounds, payable to Ephraim Moulton & dated 21 May, 1779.

Ordered the Board of War to deliver to Capt. Nicholas Gilman, in Rum, the one month's Pay which was Ordered for the officers & Soldiers by the Genl Assembly.

Saturday, 9th March, 1782. Ordered the Treas^r to pay Lieut. Joseph Huntoon Eleven Shillings, in Specie, being the Balance due to him for taking up four Deserters from Fort Washington.

March 27th. An Order was drawn in favor of Jeremiah Eames, Esq., for twelve pounds w^t of Powder, four pounds w^t of Balls, and twenty four flints, directed to Joseph Peverly, Esq., or

Joseph Whipple, Esq., if they had the same on hand belonging to this State.

Thursday, *April 4th*, 1782.

took into consideration sundry matters relative to Col° Greeley. Warrant granted for apprehending s^d^ Greeley. Summons for each party. appointed Wednesday, 10th Instant, at 10 O'Clock for the parties to be heard.

Friday, *April 5th*, 1782. Ordered the Treas^r^ to pay Thomas Bickford fifty pounds, in Specie, out of the Tax for the current year, and for which he is to be accountable as Commissary of Issues, £50.

Appointed Capt. Jeremiah Fogg, Muster Master at Exeter, Capt. Isaac Frye Muster Master at Amherst, and Capt. Benjamin Ellis, Muster Master at Charlestown, in pursuance of an Act of Court of the 21st of March, 1782.

Ordered the Treas^r^ to pay (by way of Discount) to the Selectmen of Hollis three pounds five shillings, New Emission, out of the Tax for 1781, and eight shillings & two pence half penny, in Specie, £3–5–0, N. E., 0–8–2½.

Saturday, *April 6th*, 1782.

Wrote to Col° Samuel Hunt and to the Selectmen of Amherst, relative to Supplies for Recruits.

Wednesday, 10*th April*, 1782. Notified Portsmouth that Friday, the nineteenth of this Instant, is appointed to hear and Determine the Claims of Portsmouth and Hampton to James Allarde, a Soldier. Also, Notified Seabrook that the same day is appointed to hear and determine the Claims of Seabrook and Hampton to Jonathan Eaton, a Soldier.

Wednesday, *April* 10*th*, 1782. This day entered upon the Examination of sundry persons who had been summoned to give Evidence relative to the conduct of Col° Jonathan Greeley, of East Kingston, who was apprehended and bro't before the Committee of Safety for the State of New Hampshire for Practices inimical to this and the United States, by virtue of a Warrant from said Committee.

Adjourned till 9 O'Clock to-morrow morning.

Met according to adjournment. Proceeded with Examination, &c., after which, it appeared to said Com^{tee} that s^{d} Greely had been guilty of sundry inimical Practices, &c., Therefore Ordered, that s^{d} Greely should give Bond for good Behavior, &c., which was Executed 12th April, 1782.

Friday, 12*th April*, 1782. Notified the Selectmen of Litchfield that Friday, the tenth day of May next, is appointed to hear & Determine the Claims of Litchfield & Goffstown to Obed McLane, a Soldier.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay John Balch twenty pounds, new Emission, in part towards his riding as Post, and for which he is to be accountable.

Samuel Neil, a Soldier, is claimed by Moultonbo^{ro} and Temple, & a Notification was sent to Moultonbo^{ro}, but not appearing, it is the Opinion of this Committee that said Neil belongs to Temple.

Ordered the Treasurer to make an abatement of the Tax on the unimproved Land in the Gore adjoining New Durham, agreeable to a Vote of the Genl Court of the 28th of April, 1780.

Saturday, 13*th of April*, 1782.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Carty Gilman forty shillings, lawful money, & Endorse the same on his Note for Depreciation, £2.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to Issue a Note on Demand to Genl John Stark, dated this day for two hundred and ten pounds, lawful money, and for which he is to be accountable in part, for the Depreciation of his Wages.

Ordered Francis Blood, Coll^{r} Genl of Beef Cattle, to Deliver to Genl John Stark 2,000 pounds w^{t} of Beef, and that if he and the Genl could not agree upon the weight of the Beef, then they should refer the same to the Judgment of two indifferent persons.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Joseph Gilman, Esq., Seven pounds fourteen shillings & six pence, lawful Money, being for Supplies of wood, &c., for the General Court to the 12th of April, 1782, £7–14–6.

Thursday, April 18th. Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Capt. Stephen Harriman Eight pounds two shillings & six pence, in Bills of the New Emission, for which Sum B. G. John Stark is to be Charged with in his Account with s^{d} State, & to be accountable for the same, £8–2–6.

Friday, 19th. Settled Double Returns.

Saturday, 20th. Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Lydia Marshall, Wid. fourteen Pounds thirteen shillings & four pence, in Bills of the New Emission, and charge himself with the same sum in the old Continental Currency, being so much due to Lt Andrew Marshal, on the Ration Roll of Capt. Daniels in 1777.

Saturday, April 20th. Gave Order to Mr Isaac Williams relative to Issuing provisions to Recruits.

Friday, April 26th. Notified the Selectmen of Londonderry that John Caldwell, a Soldier claimed by them, is also claimed by Candia, and that Friday, the 3^{d} of May next, is appointed to hear & determine said Claims.

Saturday, 27th. Wrote to Capt. Eph^{m} Stone relative to his pay Roll.

Desired Mr Isaac Williams to call on Capt. Giddinge for Beef.

Ordered Capt. Eliphalet Giddinge, C. G. B., to deliver to Mr Isaac Williams such quantities of Beef as may be necessary for the Recruits now raising.

Wrote to Genl Bellows.

Wrote to Mr Williams, inclosing an Order on the Board of War for one Barrel of Rum.

Ordered the Board of War to deliver Mr Williams one Barrel of West India Rum, to be by him exchanged for Bread for the Recruits now raising, and for which he is to be accountable.

Thursday, May 2d. Gave a Permit to the Schooner Jolly Robin, Wm Brooks, Commander, to export for North Yarmouth about twenty five Bushels of Indian Corn and fifteen Barrels of Cyder.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Genl James Reed, by Discount,

two thousand seven hundred & twenty two pounds ten shillings, in Bills of the old Emission, being the tax of Morristown, for the year 1780.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Genl James Reed, by Discount, Seven pounds eleven shillings & three pence, in Specie, being the Specie taxes of Morristown for the year 1781.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Genl James Reed, by Discount out of the taxes of the Town of Morristown, for the year 1781, the sum of one hundred & eighty nine pounds one shilling & three pence, in Bills of the new Emission. Also, pay to the said Reed one hundred & fifty pounds, in Bills of the new Emission.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to Issue Notes of this day's date to Genl James Reed for the Sum of One thousand five hundred and twenty five pounds seven shillings & three pence, lawful money, being the Bal^{ce} due to him for wages & Depreciation, to the first day of Jan^{y}, 1781, as by his account dated this day and agreeable to Resolve of Congress of the 14th Dec^{r}, 1781.

Settled & Balanced several Accounts of Supply Clapp as Agent Victualler, up to August, 1781.

Saturday, May 4th, 1782. Ordered Capt. Giddinge, C. G. B. C., to Deliver Capt. Josiah Gilman one Barrel of Beef, and for which he is to be accountable.

Gave Instructions to the Treas^{r} relative to Excise due to this State previous to the present year.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay (by Discount out of the tax for the current year) the Board of War or their Order, Seventy pounds sixteen shillings, lawful money, & for which they are to be accountable.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay James Rundlett Eleven shillings, lawful money, for examining a quantity of Beef belonging to this State, & cooperage, 11s.

Thursday, 9 *May,* 1782. Notified the Selectmen of Dover that Daniel Horn, a Soldier claimed by them is also claimed by Rochester, and that Tuesday, the 14 Instant, is appointed to hear & Determine said Claims. Also, Notified the Selectmen of Salisbury that John Ash is claimed by Andover, and that Wednesday, the 15th Instant, is appointed to hear & determine such Claims.

10*th May*, *Friday*. settled & determined sundry Double Returns.

The Honble President signed Brevets certifying that Amos Morril, Captn in the first New Hampshire Regiment, was appointed Major in the second Regiment, to take rank as such from March 24th, 1780, in the room and stead of Maj. Titcomb, promoted March 24, 1780. A Certificate of the same had been given, but was supposed to have been lost; that Jason Wait, captain in the first New Hampshire Regiment, was appointed Major in the third Regiment, to take rank as such from the 5th July, 1780, in the room and stead of Major Norris, resigned, July 5th, 1780. A Certificate of the same had been given, but was supposed to be lost. That Henry Dearborn, Lt Col^{o} in the first New Hampshire Regiment, is appointed Lt Col^{o} Commandant in said Regiment, to take Rank as such from the sixth of Oct^{o}, 1781, in the room and stead of Colonel Alexander Scammel, deceased. That Robert B. Wilkins, Ensign in the second New Hampshire, is appointed L^{t} in said Regiment, to take Rank from the 19th April, 1781, in the room & stead of Lt Luke Woodbury, who resigned 19th of April, 1781. that Moses Page, Ensign in the second N. H. Regiment, is appointed L^{t} in s^{d} Regiment, to take rank from the 13 Sept. 1781, in Room & stead of Lt Peletiah Whitemore, who was discharged 13th Sept., 1781.

Adjourned to Tuesday next.

Tuesday, 14*th*. four of the Committee met.

Wednesday, 15*th*. settled Double Returns.

Thursday, 16*th*. Settled the Account of Col^{o} Saml Folsom, for mustering Recruits. Also, Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay, by Discount out of the tax for the current year, to the s^{d} Folsom the sum of Eight pounds three shillings and six pence, for mustering said Recruits.

Friday, *May* 17*th*. Desired Capt. Eliph^{t} Giddinge, C. G. B. C., to deliver to Capt. Ebenezer Dearing fourteen hundred & forty pounds weight of salted Beef, now in his Custody at Portsmouth, belonging to this State, being in part of his Pay Roll for the Matross Company, which was passed Feby 1st, 1782.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay, by Discount out of the Tax for the current year, to Capt. Ebenezer Dearing the sum of four hundred & ninety pounds three shillings and one penny, lawful money, in part towards his pay Roll, which was passed Feby 1st, 1782, 490–3–1.

Saturday, 18*th May*. wrote to Capt. Janvrin respecting some difficulties relative to the improvement of Pierce's Island, and desired him to attend on the Committee on Friday next.

Thursday, 23*d May*. Ordered the Treasurer to pay Doct^{r} Thomas Sterne Nine pounds, in Bills of the new Emission, and to charge himself with the Sum of Sixty nine pounds twelve shillings, in Bills of the old Continental Currency, being so much due to him on the pay Roll of the Honorable Assembly in October, 1779.

The Honble Com^{tee} consented that the Board of War should Sell an Horse now in their Custody, belonging to this State.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay the Board of War fifteen pounds, lawful money, for which they are to be accountable.

Friday, 24*th May*. Ordered Capt. Eliphalet Giddinge, C. G. B. C., to Deliver to Capt. Titus Salter Seven hundred & twenty pound weight of Salted Beef, now in his Custody at Portsmouth, belonging to this State, being in part towards the pay Roll of his Matross Company, and for which he is to be accountable.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to Pay Mr John Taylor Gilman one hundred & fifty pounds, lawfull money, as a Delegate from this State, and for which he is to be accountable, £150.

Saturday, *May* 25*th*. Ordered that the Account of Col^{o} Henry Dearborn, for money by him received out of the Treasury in the months of February & May, for recruiting Soldiers in 1780, be received & allowed as reported on by the Committee on Claims, & that he be charged with the Balance of One Hundred & twenty nine pounds seventeen shillings & four pence, lawful money, in his Account for Depreciation for the year 1780. And that the several Sums in Continental Currency, charged in said account as paid sundry Officers be charged to their Accounts respectively for Depreciation for the year 1789, at the rate of forty for One.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to Pay, by Discount out of the Tax for the current year, to Lt Joseph Boynton, or his Order, thirty pounds, lawfull Money, for which he is to be accountable, £30.

Friday, May 31*st.* Ordered Capt. Eliphalet Giddinge, C. G. B. C., to Deliver to the Honble John Langdon, Esq., a Quantity of Beef, (now in his Custody at Portsmouth and belonging to the State,) not exceeding forty Barrels, for which he is to be accountable.

Saturday, June 1*st.* Ordered Capt. Eliphalet Giddinge, C. G. B. C., to Deliver to Capt. Jere. Fogg one Barrell of Beef out of the Store at Portsmouth, being for Rations due to him while on command in Mustering recruits for the Army.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay (by Discount out of the Tax for the Current Year,) to the Board of War, Nine pounds, lawful money, for which they are to be accountable.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to Issue a Note in favor of George Peirce, Esq., for sixty pounds, lawful money, being so much due to him for detecting Money makers, £60.

Also, to pay John Calfe, Esq., or Order, five pounds, lawful money, being so much due to George Peirce, Esq., for detecting Money makers, £5.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Capt. Josiah Gilman Eighteen pounds, lawful money, in part towards his Account, for which he is to be accountable, £18.

Thursday, June 6th, 1782. Ordered the Board of War to Deliver to Mr Z. Fowle one Barrel of West India Rum, for which he is to be accountable, in part towards his Account for printing, &c.

Friday, 7th June, 1782. Ordered the Treas^{r} to Discount with the Selectmen of Conway twenty six pounds two shillings and Eight pence, lawful Money, out of the Tax for the year 1781, being so much due to Seth Spring, Stephen Merril & Elijah Densmore, in Capt. Jacob Smith's Company, raised for the Defence of the Northern frontiers, in pursuance of a Vote of Court of the 24th of August, 1781.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to Pay Discount out of the Tax for the current year to Lt Joseph Huntoon forty eight pounds, lawful

money, being so much due to him and his son Reuben, as appears by Capt. Dearing's pay Roll to the 1st of Feby, 1782, £48.

Ordered the Treasr to pay the Board of War, by Discount out of the Tax for the current year, One hundred Pounds, lawful Money, for which they are to be accountable, £100.

Ordered the Treasr to pay John Balch, by Discount out of the tax for the current year, sixty pounds, in part towards his account as Carrier, £60.

Wrote to the Honble John Langdon, Esq., relative to the contents of a Letter received from his Excellency Gen1 Washington.

Wrote to Capt. Titus Salter requiring him to keep a strict Gaurd at the Forts, and also to search all Boats, &c., which may pass or repass said forts, as there are great reasons of Suspicion that a design is formed by the Enemy to burn the 74 at Portsmouth.

June 21*st*, 1782. The first Friday in July agreed on to settle the claims of Charlestown and Hollis to Lemuel Royce, a Soldier in the Continental Army.

Notified the Selectmen of New Chester that the Second Friday in July, at 10 O'Clock, is appointed to hear & determine the Claim of Goffstown & New Chester to Joshua Wilson, a soldier.

24*th*. the second Friday in July agreed on to hear & determine the claims of the Towns of Amherst, Lyndsborough & Rindge to Joseph Wilson, a soldier.

July 3*d*, *Wednesday*. Ordered the Treasurer to pay Jacob Ordway twelve shillings, Lawful money, for summoning Evidences relative to Colo Greeley, 12s.

Ordered Capt. Eliphalet Giddinge to receive from Nottingham West, Litchfield & Derryfield, such Beef Cattle as they shall collect for Taxes, agreeably to the Tax Bill or any Order of the Gen1 Assembly passed since the Tax Bill.

July 4*th*, 1782. Ordered the Board of War to Deliver Mr Zachr Fowle twenty pounds weight of powder for a *feu de joy* on the Aniversary of American Independence.

Notified the Selectmen of Lee, Loudon & Durham, that Friday,

the 12th of this Instant, is appointed to hear & determine their Claims to Andrew Johnston, Benja Willey & Willm Hill, Soldr.

Ordered the Treasr to pay the Board of War by way of Discount, out of the Tax for the year One thousand Seven Hundred & Eighty one, the sum of twenty seven pounds five shillings & eight pence, and for which they are to be accountable, 27–5–8.

Ordered the Treasr to Issue a Note to Jeremiah Towle, payable in one year from the date thereof, for the sum of six pounds twelve shillings, as an Invalid Pensioner, 6–12–0.

Ordered the Treasr to Pay Joseph Bean, Esq., Seventeen Shillings & six pence, being for time, assistants, Expences, &c., in taking up & securing Peter Williams, a Deserter from the Army, 17s 6.

Desired Mr. Barrett, Merct at Boston, to Deliver to Mr Ephraim Robinson all the Rum (or so much as he shall desire,) now in his Custody, belonging to this State of New Hampshire.

Ordered the Treasurer to Let Mr Robinson have & receive out of the Treasury three Pounds, towards his Expences on public Business to Boston, and for which he is to be accountable.

Friday, July 5th. Ordered the Treasr to pay, by Discount out of the tax for the year 1781, to Samuel Stearns, Constable at Plymouth, five Dollars, New Emission, being for milage to Soldiers to Coos, 5 Doll.

Appointed Friday, ye 19th, to hear and determine the claims of Dover and Deerfield to Paul Cook, a Continental Soldier.

Wrote to Mr Woodward, Commissary of Prisoners, to send five prisoners (who were in the care of Capt. Salter,) to Boston, in the Prize out of which they were taken, in case said Prize should go to Boston.

Saturday, July 6th. Appointed Friday, ye 19th, to hear & determine the Claims of Lempster & Charlestown to one Wm Leighton, a Continental Soldier; also, the Claims of Lempster & Ackworth to Matthew Greer, a Do. Same day appointed to hear the claims of Richmond & Hollis to Lemuel Royce (or Rice.) Adjourned to Portsmo, Tuesday next.

Tuesday, July 9th. Met according to Adjournment.

Took into consideration, (in pursuance of a Vote of the Genl Assembly of the 14th of June last,) sundry matters relative to the defence of Piscataqua Harbour.

Wednesday, July 10th. Took a view of the several forts erected for the defence of Piscataqua Harbour, and agreed that General Whipple, or some suitable person under him, should be employed to remove the Platforms, Barracks, &c., to repair the other forts.

Thursday, July 11th. Wrote to Mr Nathl Folsom, directing him to sell at public Vendue on Thursday next, all the salted Beef now in his Custody & belonging to this State, for Cash or Mr Morris's Bills, the purchaser giving good Security for the payment of the same within two months; also, that he give notice of the time & place for the Sale of said Beef in the New Hampshire Gazette of this week, and inform this Committee as soon as possible of s^{d} Sale.

Friday, July 12th. The Town of Peterborough having produced sufficient proof to this Committee that they now have three men, viz: Jeduthun Roberts, John Barlow & John Wallace, as Soldiers in the Army who were not heretofore allowed to them, the Honble the President certified "that they are to have Credit for the said three men on the Extent now issued against them for their Deficiency."

Appointed to-morrow 10 o'clock, A. M., to hear the Claims of Ossipee Gore & Portsmouth to Saml Lear, a Soldier in the Army.

Appointed Friday, ye 26th, to hear the Claims of Barrington & Nottingham to Joseph Hall, a Soldier.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay, by Discount out of the Tax for the year one thousand seven hundred & seventy nine, to the Constable of New Chester, two thousand five hundred & forty eight Continental Dollars, being so much received by David Webster for Maj^{r} Child, for which said Child is to be accountable.

Appointed the first friday next following the second Tuesday of Sept. next, to hear the Claims of Charlestown & Ackworth to Simeon Powers, a Continental Soldier.

Ordered & directed the following Col^{os} to raise by Enlistments, draught or otherwise, viz: Col^{o} Wentworth, Eight; Col^{o}

Evans, Nine; Col° Moulton, Four; Col° Gilman, Six; Col° Gale, Six; Col° John Webster, Four; & Col° Bell, Three, able bodied, effective men, & send them to Portsmouth, to be under the Command of Capt. Titus Salter, to serve untill the last day of December next, unless sooner discharged.

Wrote to Capt. Eben^r Frye, Muster Master, inclosing an Order on the Selectmen of the Town of Amherst, desiring him to call on said Selectmen to furnish the Recruits raising for the Continental Army with such Supplies of Bread and Beef from time to time, as he shall call on them for, taking his receipt for the same, and they are desired to procure said Supplies as reasonable as they can, and Charge the same to the State, for which they shall be allowed out of their State Tax for the current year.

Saturday, July 13th. Ordered the Treasurer to pay, by Discount out of the Tax in 1779, to the Selectmen of New Chester, forty eight pounds eight shillings, Continental Cur^cy, 48–8–0.

Upon hearing the Dispute between Portsmouth & Ossipee Gore, relative to Samuel Lear, a Soldier, it appears that said Lear belongs to neither Town, but belongs to Middleton.

Desired Capt. Eliphalet Giddinge to send to Portsmouth, as soon as may, thirty Barrels of the salted Beef now in his Custody, & belonging to this State, to the care of Mr Nathaniel Folsom, and for which said Folsom is to be accountable.

Directed Mr Nathaniel Folsom to sell for Cash, or Mr Morris's Bills, at public Vendue, (if not sold before at private Sale,) as soon as conveniently may be, all the salted Beef now in his Custody, belonging to this State, and also all the Beef which may be sent to his Care by Capt. Eliph^t Giddinge.

Friday, July 19th. Ordered the Treas^r to pay Mr Jed^dh Jewett thirty pounds, being in part towards his pay as State Clothier, & for which he is to be accountable, £30.

Wrote to Col° Joshua Wentworth, acquainting him that in case he should want a Quantity of Beef, he may be supply'd therewith by the State.

Desired Col° Clapp to supply Capt. Salter with a few Boards, some nails, Bucketts & Bowls, &c.

Upon hearing the Dispute between Hollis & Richmond, relative to Lemuel Royce, alias Rice, Determined that s^{d} Lemuel Rice belongs to Richmond.

Upon a rehearing of the Dispute between the Towns of Dover & Deerfield, relative to Paul Cook, a Soldier, it appears to this Committee that said Cook belongs to Dover.

Ordered the Board of War to pay to Serg^{t} Winthrop Wiggin Three pounds, Lawful money, to Enable him to go on with a party to the Army, & to carry on a Deserter.

Appointed friday, the second of August next, to hear & determine the dispute between Charlestown & Richmond, relative to Nathl Powers, Abner Powers, Thomas Hunt & Willm Taggart, Soldiers claimed by both Towns.

Appointed friday, the second of August next, to hear & determine the dispute between Hampton & Richmond, relative to Asa Crosson, a Soldier.

This day being appointed to hear and determine the dispute relative to Willm Leighton, between Charlestown & Lemster, Charlestown not appearing, Tho' notified by papers produced, this Committee determined that said Leighton belongs to Lemster, & that said Town be credited for said Soldier.

Wrote to Each of the Sheriffs of the several Counties of this State, relative to reviewing Certificates from the Muster Masters, &c.

Saturday, July 24th. Gave a Permit to the Schooner Simeon, Isaac Arey, Master, to export a quantity of Corn, not exceeding thirty Bushels, & some small Articles, from the Port of Piscataqua to Thomastown. Wrote to Capt. Frye & Capt. Ellis, Capt. Fogg, Muster Masters.

Wrote to Capt. John Jennison, Col^{tr} Beef, County Cheshire.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to let Mr. Jed^{h} Jewett have out of the Treasury fifteen pounds, to enable him to go to head quarters, and for which he is to be accountable.

Thursday, 25 *July*, 1782. Ordered the Board of War to sell for Cash, for the most they will fetch, but not under the stated prices, any of those articles which have been received by you for the Tax for the current year.

Ordered the Board of War to send as soon as may be to the care of Col° Charles Johnston, Haverhill, Coös, 100lb Powder, 200lb of Balls, & 300 flints, for the use of the Recruits raising for the defence of the western Frontiers, taking sd Johnston's Receipts for the same.

Friday, 26*th July*, 1782. Ordered Capt. Giddinge to deliver to Mr. Ephm Robinson so many of the Beef Cattle in his Custody as he (Mr. Robinson) shall request of him from time to time, to be killed & sold for the use & benefit of this State.

Also, Desired Capt. Giddinge, to send to Portsmouth, to the care of Col° John Langdon, Eight or Ten of the best Beef Cattle now in his custody, & belonging to this State, taking his Receipt for the weight of the same, as may be agreed upon.

July 27. Ordered James Rundlett to deliver Edward Wade fifty pounds wt of Beef, for which he is to be accountable. Ordered the Comtee, &c., to make up the Depreciation of Wages, &c., due to William Leavitt of his Discharge.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay the Board of War fifteen pounds, for which they are to be accountable.

Ordered Mr. Rundlett to Deliver to Mr. Isaac Williams such quantities of Beef as he may stand in need of for the recruits raising in this State.

Ordered the Treasr to issue a Note on Interest, payable in one year from the date thereof, in favor of Lt Joseph Huntoon, for one Hundred fourteen pounds one shilling & three pence, being the Balance due to him on half pay Roll, as per account to the 27th July, 1782.

July 30*th*. A Quorum of the Committee being met, took into Consideration a Petition from the Selectmen of Gilmanton, and thereupon wrote to Ebenezer Sullivan, Dept. Sheriff of county of Strafford.

Friday, *August* 2*d*, 1782. This Comtee after hearing the claims of the Town of Hampton & Richmond to Asa Crosson, a Soldier, determined that said Crosson belongs to Richmond. Also, the Claims of Charlestown & Richmond to the following Soldiers, viz: Nathl Powers, Abner Powers, Thos Hunt & William Taggart; determined the said Soldiers belong to Richmond.

Saturday, Aug'st 3d, 1782.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Capt. Jeremiah Fogg twelve pounds, & for which he is to be accountable, £12.

Ordered Isaac Williams, Iss^{g} Com^{y}, to Deliver to Capt. Jeremiah Fogg one hundred & twenty two Rations, due to him from 1st June to the 1st Aug. 1782.

Ordered & directed Capt. Eliphalet Giddinge, C^{l} B., to send five beef Cattle belonging to this State, to Col^{o} John Langdon, on Wednesday next; also, five beef Cattle on Wednesday, the week following, taking his Receipt for the weight of the same as may be agreed upon.

The Committee wrote to Genl Bellows, Capt. John Jennison, Doct. William Page.

Friday, August 9th, 1782. Ordered James Rundlett to deliver to Edwd Wade fifty pounds w^{t} of fresh Beef, for which he is to be accountable.

Ordered James Rundlett to Deliver to Simeon Ladd, Goal keeper, one hundred pounds w^{t} of Beef, for which said Ladd is to be accountable.

Wrote to Col^{o} Joshua Wentworth relative to Soldiers hired by the Town of Portsmouth, Notifying said Town that next Friday is appointed by this Committee to determine Whether the Town of Portsm^{o} or the Individuals are entitled to s^{d} Wages.

Ordered the Board of War to deliver to Col^{o} Jeremiah Gilman a Waggon, after it is appraised, taking his Security for the same; said waggon is to be returned on Demand, making good all Damages.

Saturday, 10th Aug't, 1782. Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Thomas Holbrook Nine pounds, being in full (with what has been already paid,) of the account of Josiah Harris, for serving three Warrants, &c., on persons supposed to be inimical to the United States, £9.

Thursday Aug't 15th, 1782. Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay, by Discount out of the Tax for the year 1780, to Mr Israel Houghton, Constable for Keene, the Sum of Seventy four pounds fifteen shillings, being so much paid to Samuel Wells, Ensign, and for

which said Wells is to be accountable out of his Depreciation, £74–15.

Friday, *Aug't* 16*th*, 1782. Ordered Mr James Davis, Dep. Coll^{r} of Beef Cattle, to deliver to Mr Eph^{m} Robinson or his Order, so many of the Beef Cattle in his Custody & belonging to this State, as he s^{d} Robinson shall request from time to time, to be killed and sold for the use & benefit of this State.

Appointed friday, the thirtieth of this Ins^{t}, to hear and determine the Claims of New Durham & Rochester to David Doe, a Soldier claimed by s^{d} Towns.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay John Balch, or his Order, by discount out of the Tax for the current year, the Sum of seven pounds, in part towards his account for riding as Post. Also, twenty pounds in part of the aforesaid Account.

Saturday, *Aug.* 17, 1782. Ordered the Board of War to deliver to Lt Robt B. Wilkins fourteen yards of Linen, & charge the same to said Wilkins.

Wrote to Col^{o} Joseph Badger, Francis Blood, Esq., and Mr John Jennison, Collector of Beef Cattle.

Wrote to Francis Blood, Esq., relative to his Acc^{t}.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to discount out of the Tax for the Current year, with the Selectmen of Exeter, Eight pounds eight shillings, being so much paid by them to sundry soldiers for travel Money as p^{r} Receipt.

August 23*d*, *Friday*. Wrote to Ebenezer Sullivan, Dep. Sheriff, relative to Extent against Gilmantown.

Gave Instructions relative to the beef Cattle to be sent to Head Quarters.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to let Mr Jewett have and receive one hundred pounds, to enable him to forward a number of Cattle to Head Quarters, and for which he is to be accountable.

Ordered Isaac Williams, Iss^{g} Com^{sy}, to deliver to Lt. Robert B. Wilkins Sixty two Rations, being in full of his Rations from the first day of August to the thirty first of s^{d} month inclusive.

Saturday, *August* 24*th*. Ordered James Davis, Dep. Collect^{r}

of Beef Cattle, to deliver to Col° Supply Clapp such numbers of Beef Cattle, not exceeding twenty, from those he has on hand belonging to this State, as he may call for from time to time, taking his Receipt for the same.

Thursday, 29*th August*, 1782. Wrote to Francis Blood, Esq., relative to Beef Cattle.

Ordered the Treas^r to pay, by Discount out of the Tax for the year 1780, to Asael Brainerd, Constable for the Town of Rumney, Eighteen pounds, being so much paid to Samuel Smart, to Coös. Also, Seven thousand seven hundred and thirty three Continental Dollars, being so much paid to Maj^r Jon^a Child, as per Receipt.

Friday 30 *August*, 1782. Appointed friday next to hear & determine the claims between Dover & Rochester to Daniel Sergent, a Soldier claimed by said Town.

Saturday August 31, 1782. Desired Mr Ephraim Robinson to call on Mr John White, Receiver of Rum for the State of New Hampshire, at Haverhill, for the pay of the Rum which he purchased of the Committee of Safety for said State, giving his receipt for the same.

Thursday, *Sept.* 5*th*, 1782. Desired the Board of War to certify how much appears due to Mr Emerson, in consequence of a Vote of Court that the same may be laid before the General Court next week, for them to give order in what payment may be made.

Friday, *Sept.* 6*th.* Ordered the Treas^r to pay the Board of War, or their Order, fifty pounds, for which they are to be accountable, £50.

Ordered the Treas^r to pay Moses Woodward, Esq., by discount out of the Tax for the current year, forty pounds, for which he is to be accountable as Commissary of Prisoners.

Ordered the Treas^r to pay Capt. Daniel Gorden, by Discount out of the Tax for the current year, thirty Shillings, Bal^ce of Acc^t Expences, to Springfield.

Saturday, 7*th Sept.* 1782. Robert Young requesting of this Committee that his Bond might be giving up, It is the Opinion of

this Committee that as he is acquitted, said Bond might be given up, which was accordingly done.

Sept. 14*th*, 1782. Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Col^{o} Charles Johnston thirty pounds twelve shillings, being for Billeting, money for Rations, £30–12–0.

Sept. 19*th*, 1782. The Committee took into consideration sundry matters relative to the difficulties in the Town of Cornish, and also wrote to the Sheriff of the County of Cheshire.

Wrote to Col^{o} Charles Johnston that it is the Opinion of this Com^{tee} that he might dismiss two of the Officers under his Command if he shall think it prudent.

20*th*. This Committee took into consideration sundry matters referred to them by the General Court. also, wrote to Mr Jenness relative to the Excise.

Wrote to Benj^{a} Butler, Esq., relative to the payment of the money for Excise.

Wrote to Mr. John White, jun^{r}, relative to money due for Rum.

21*st*. His Honor the President certified that Eben^{r} Stockton was appointed Surgeon to the first New Hampshire Regt., in the Room & Stead of Doct^{r} Nathl Gardner, who lately resigned; s^{d} Stockton is to be considered as Surgeon to said Regiment from the time of his joining the Regiment.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Maj. Willm Scott, by Discount out of the tax for the current year, Twenty pounds, being a State Bounty for his Son, John Scott, who engaged July 1st, 1778, for three years Service.

Ordered Isaac Williams, Iss^{g} Com^{sy}, to deliver Rations to Continental Soldiers, when certified by the Muster Master that such Soldiers are confined in Goal.

Ordered Isaac Williams to deliver to Lt Robt B. Wilkins Sixty Rations, in full of his Rations from the first day of Septr to the thirtieth of s^{d} month inclusive.

Ordered that Lt Thomas Simpson be struck off the half pay Roll of Invalid Pensioners.

Sept. 25*th*, 1782. Ordered Capt. Giddinge to deliver Lt Neil McGaffee twelve hundred & Eighty pounds w^{t} of Beef (2 months pay at 3^{d} p. lb.) agreeably to the estimation which he received them at, and for which he is to be accountable.

Desired the Treasurer to deliver to the Order of Richard Jenness, Esq., the Bond which they, together with their father, the aforesaid Richard Jenness, Esq., signed, for the payment of the excise purchased by him Decem^{br} last.

Sept. 26*th*. Ordered Capt. Eliph^{t} Giddinge to deliver to Mr Jedediah Jewett twelve hundred pounds w^{t} of Beef, for which he is to be accountable out of his pay as Sub or State Clothier.

Gave Instructions to Maj. Genl Nathl Folsom, relative to five Regiments of Militia.

Wrote to Capt. John Jennison, relative to pay for pasturing States' Cattle.

Authorized Col^{o} Joseph Badger to dispose of one beef Creature towards his own Expences, & one towards the Expences of his Deputies in collecting beef Cattle for the State, &c., for which he is to be accountable to the State, as estimated at three pence per pound.

Sept. 27*th*, 1782. Ordered Francis Blood, Esq., to deliver to Lt Robt. B. Wilkins twelve hundred and eighty pounds w^{t} of Beef, agreeably to the estimation which he received them at, and for which he is to be accountable, being two months pay at 3^{d} pr. lb.

Ordered that Lt Jon^{a} Emerson be allowed one third part of his monthly pay, instead of half pay, as an Invalid Pensioner, to commence this 27th day of Sept. 1782.

Wrote to the Trustees of Dartmouth College.

Sept. 28*th*. Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Wid^{o} Hill Seven Pounds thirteen shillings, in full of her account for Barracking Soldiers & from the 27th of May to the 23^{d} Sept. 1782.

Desired Doct^{r} C. G. Adams to attend one Otis Alley, a Continental Soldier, sick in Goal.

Desired Capt. E. Giddinge to furnish Mr Bigelow with so many of the Beef Cattle which now are or may be in his Custody & belonging to this State, as Col^{o} Langdon may call for from time to time, taking his Receipt for the same.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay to John Parker, Esq., fifty pounds, towards the Expence of an Entertainment for the Officers of His Most Christian Majesty's Ship of War, now in the Port of Piscataqua, and for which he is to be accountable.

Oct'o 4th. Ordered the Treas^{r} to Discount with the Constable of the Town of Amherst the Sum of Ten Thousand four hundred & seventy four pounds nineteen shillings & seven pence, old Continental Cur^{y}, out of the Tax for the year 1780, being so much advanced by them to Genl Moses Nichols towards the payment of his Staff Roll in the year 1780.

Wrote to Mr John White, Junr, relative to money due for Rum.

Ordered the Board of War to sell at Public Vendue, for Cash or State securities, all the horses now in their Custody and belonging to this State, except four. Also, all the State Waggons except two.

His Honor the President certified that David Scott, having inlisted during the present war, is to be considered as a Soldier procured by Hampton falls, & that said Hampton falls is to be credited on an extent issued against them for their deficiency for the aforesaid David Scott.

Oct'o 5. Ordered Isaac Williams, Iss^{g} Com., to deliver Lt Robt B. Wilkins Sixty two Rations, being in full of his Rations from the first day of Oct^{o} to the thirty first of said month, inclusive.

Desired the Board of War to deliver Lt Robt B. Wilkins the amount of one month's pay in cloathing, for which he is to be accountable out of his Depreciation for 1781.

Ordered Mr James Randlett to deliver to Mr Simeon Ladd, Goal keeper, one hundred w^{t} of Beef for which he is to be accountable.

Ordered Mr Randlett to deliver to the Order of the Board of war one hundred w^{t} of Beef, for which they are to be accountable.

Saturday Oct'o 5th, 1782. Permitted the Naval Officer at Portsm^{o} to clear out Capt. John McGray, in the Shallop Betsey, for Yarmouth, in Nova Scotia, with such Articles as he may have on Board, agreeable to a Permit he has from the Committee of

Safety. His Honor the President gave Capt. McGray a Certificate.

Friday, *Oct'o* 11*th*, 1782. This Com^{tee} received of Mr John White, Junr, One hundred Pounds, being so much due to said State for Rum purchased of s^{d} Committee, for which Sum the Committee took the Honble Judge White's Receipt, the Day & Date above mentioned.

Saturday, *Oct'o* 12*th*, 1782. The Committee took into Consideration a petition signed Jonathan Greeley, praying to be liberated from his Bonds, upon which the Committee ordered that Col^{o} Jonathan Greeley be released from his Bond, & that the said Bond should be delivered to General Folsom, which was accordingly done.

Ordered Isaac Williams, Iss^{g} Com^{sy}, to deliver to Simeon Ladd, Goal keeper, sixteen days' provisions due to William Cowin, agreeably to Lt Boynton's Order, said Ladd endorsing said Order.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay, by Discount out of the Tax for the current year to Jedediah Jewett or Bearer, the following Sums, viz: One Order for thirty shillings and six pence; One for twelve shillings, and another for twelve shillings, Expences for Bringing Cattle from Keene.

Friday, *Oct'o* 18*th*, 1782. Upon the Petition of Jack Edwards & Noah Allard, Ordered that Simeon Ladd, Goal keeper, liberate the aforesaid Edwards & Allard, that they may immediately march to the Army.

Desired Col^{o} Samuel Folsom to muster all the able bodied effective Men which may be offered by the Towns in said State untill further Orders.

Saturday, *Oct'o* 19, 1782. Ordered Col^{o} Joseph Badger to deliver to Mr Jonathan Greeley, Junr, twenty five of Beef Cattle now in your custody and belonging to this State, taking his Receipt for the same.

Ordered the Board of War to deliver Lieut. Thomas Blake Linnen Cloth sufficient to make half a Dozen shirts, for which he is be accountable out of his Depreciation.

Wrote to Col° George Reid.

Gave directions to Francis Blood, Esq., and Capt John Jennison relative to beef Cattle.

Friday, Oct'o 25th, 1782. Ordered the Treasurer to pay, by discount out of the tax for the current year, Col° Thomas Bartlett, or Order, fifteen shillings, being the Amount of his Acc^t for selling Excise in the Counties of Hillsbo^r°, Cheshire & Grafton.

Ordered the Treas^r to pay Lt Robt B. Wilkins three pounds fourteen shillings, for taking up Deserters, &c.

Wrote to Capt. Eben^r Frye relative to mustering Soldiers.

Desired Capt. Eliph^t Giddinge to Deliver to Col° Supply Clapp, or his Order, fourteen of the beef Cattle now in his Custody & belonging to this State, taking his receipt for the same.

ordered the Treas^r to pay, by Discount out of the present year's Tax, to Lt Joseph Huntoon, fifteen shillings, for driving Cattle from Candia to Exeter.

Ordered the Treas^r to pay, by Discount out of the Tax for the current year, the following Orders, viz: To Jonas Brown, £2–4–10; Peter Felt, 8s–6; Benj^a Cragin, £1–13; Archelaus Cummins, 8s–6; David Stewart, 19s–9; Jonathan Cram, 7s; Francis Cragin, £1–6, & Gershom Drury, £2–8, for keeping Beef Cattle, &c., and William Pettingal, £3–6.

Ordered the Treas^r to pay Col° Samuel Folsom three pounds nine shillings, for Expences of Sales of Excise in Dec^r, 1781, & Oct°, 1782.

Desired Francis Blood, Esq., to sell four of the beef Cattle belonging to this State, towards defraying the Expences of Collecting beef Cattle, 4 B. C.

Ordered Francis Blood, Esq., to deliver Mr James Walker thirty of the beef Cattle now in his Custody & belonging to this State, taking his receipt for the same. (Order returned.)

Nov'r 1, 1782. Upon Information being given to this Committee that there is great reason to suspect some undue influence hath been used to obtain the Orders of Soldiers for their Depreciation, or that said Orders are forged; therefore ordered the Com^tee on Depreciation not to grant Certificates for the Balances

due to Soldiers for Depreciation untill the General Court shall take some further Order relative to the Same.

Nov'r 2d. Ordered James Rundlett to Deliver to Simeon Ladd, Goal keeper, one hundred pounds w^{t} of Beef, for which he is to be accountable.

Friday, Nov'r 8th. Ordered Capt. Ebenezer Frye nine hundred and forty pounds w^{t} of Beef, being Provisions due to Lt Bez^{l} How, on Command to the 28th of March, 1782.

Ordered Col^{o} Joseph Badger to deliver to Mr James Walker thirty of the Beef Cattle now in his Custody belonging to this State, (if not so many on hand, as many as he hath,) taking his Receipt for the same.

Saturday, Nov'r 9th, 1782. Ordered James Rundlett to deliver to the Board of War two hundred pounds weight of Beef, for which they are to be accountable.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to Pay Widow E. Hall eighteen shillings for Boarding Otis Alley & Wing, two sick Continental Soldiers.

Nov'r 15th, 1782. Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay, by Discount out of the Tax for the current year, to the Select men of Hopkinton seven pounds seventeen shillings & six pence, being travel money to Springfield paid to Moody Clements, Samuel Eastman, Moses Colley, Stephen Putney, Daniel Stickney, Richard Smith, & David Stickney.

16th. Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay, by Discount out of the Tax for the year 1780, to the Selectmen of Charlestown thirty shillings, travel money paid to Richard Holden & Amasa Grout, 30s.

Nov'r 21, 1782. Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay, by Discount out of the Tax for the Current year, to the Town of Ackworth four pounds six shillings & eleven pence, Lawful money, being the value of One Hundred & five pounds old Continental Currency paid to Edwd Keys at Rhode Island, & Prince Wallace, a Soldier in the Continental Army in the year 1779, being Bounties & Travel money.

Nov'r 22, 1782. appointed Major Caleb Robinson to Muster Recruits at Exeter.

Gave Instructions to Isaac Williams.

Nov'r 30. Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Col^{o} Supply Clapp Sixty pounds, for which he is to be accountable as Agent Victualler.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay John Parker, Esq., the Balance of his Account, amounting to forty nine pounds nine shillings & eight pence, Expences of a Dinner for Count Vaudreuil, &c.

Ordered the Board of War to deliver to Capt: James Blanchard and Lt Thos Blake each two months pay in Linen Cloth, for which they are to be accountable out of their Depreciation for 1781.

Dec'r 5. Ordered the Treasurer to pay Reuben Dow, one of the Constables of Hollis, two pounds seventeen shillings & six pence, in Bills of the New Emission. Also, the sum of thirteen shillings & two pence, in Silver, being the Taxes which he paid on Sixty seven acres of unimproved Land in Hollis, belonging to Col^{o} William Brown, an absentee.

Jesse Christey Committed to Goal.

Ordered that Capt. Reuben Dow be continued on the list of Pensioners, at six Dollars per month, from the 5th day of December, 1782.

Dec'r 6th, 1782. Ordered James Rundlett to deliver to Simeon Ladd one hundred weight of Beef, for which he is to be accountable.

Gave Instructions to Isaac Williams.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Oliver Smith, Serg^{t}, Three Pounds, being one month's pay, to forward him to the Army.

Ordered the Board of War to deliver to Oliver Smith & Stephen Ames, such Cloathing as they may stand in need of, to enable them to go to Camp, they having been in Captivity.

Ordered the Committee on Depreciation to make up Depreciation in favor of Lt Andrew McGaffee to the time of his Discharge, as has been usual with other Officers of the New Hampshire Line.

Ordered the Treasurer to take up a Note that John Wendall, Esqr, has against this State, Dated May 25th, 1779, for £1000, and pay him for the Same by discounting the value of s^{d} Note & interest out of the present year's Tax, or any future Taxes.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay, by Discount out of the tax for the Current year, to Lieu^{t} Joseph Huntoon two pounds twelve shillings & six pence, being an allowance on a Barrell of Beef which he purchased of said State.

Nov'r 18th. Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay, by Discount out of the Tax for the current year, to the following Persons, viz:

To Jonathan Martin,	£19–6–0
Matthew Wallace,	0–18–0
Moses Cunningham,	1–0–0
Samuel Cunningham,	0–10–0
Samuel Gorden,	0–5–0
Abiel Abbott,	2–10–3
Jeremiah Abbott,	1–3–2
Jonas Brown,	2–6–4
Elias Boynton,	5–10–0
Thomas Caldwell,	0–9–0
Joshua Bayley,	15–16–4
Thomas Caldwell,	0–17–0
Aaron Felt,	2–19–0
Oliver Whiting,	4–4–8

for keeping, &c., public Cattle.

Dec'r 7th. Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Zach^{r} Fowle Eighteen pounds, towards his account, and for which he is to be accountable.

Ordered the Board of War to deliver to Maj^{r} Caleb Robinson cloathing to the amount of fifteen pounds, and found, and for which he is to be Accountable.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay James Thurston One pound Six Shillings, for use of Slay Chaise.

Wrote to the Board of War.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay, by Discount out of the tax for the current year, to Mr Jedediah Jewett, fifty two shillings, and for which he is to be accountable.

Wrote to Francis Blood, Esq., & Capt. Jennison, & Col^{o} Joseph Badger, relative to Beef Cattle.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay John Balch Eight pounds; also, sev-

enteen pounds, towards riding as Post, and for which he is to be accountable.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Col^{o} Supply Clapp, by Discount out of the tax for the current year, thirty six pounds, for which he is to be accountable.

Dec. 12*th.* Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Mr Jedediah Jewett fourteen pounds nine shillings and one penny, to be accountable out of his account of Expences for driving Cattle to the Army.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Mr Jedediah Jewett Seven pounds, for which he is to be accountable out of his Account for going to the Army to sell Beef Cattle, &c.

Dec'r 13*th.* Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Mr Jedediah Jewett Six pounds, lawful money, towards his Acc^{t} for Expences to Boston, relative to settling the accounts of Beef Cattle, & for which he is to be accountable.

Ordered the Board of War to let Mr Jedediah Jewett have to the amount of thirty pounds, in such Cloaths as they have in your Custody, & belonging to this State, for which he is to be accountable, £30.

Ordered the Board of War to let Capt. Josiah Gilman have to the amount of twenty two pounds six shillings & six pence, towards his account in such Cloaths as they have in their Custody & belonging to this State, for which he has accounted.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Capt. Josiah Gilman One Hundred pounds, being the Balance of his Account as one of the Com^{tee} for settling Depreciation.

Ordered the Board of War to Deliver Lieut. Jonathan Cass to the amount of twelve pounds, in such Cloaths as he may request, for which he is to be accountable out of his Depreciation.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Joseph Pearson six shillings & six pence, being the Balance of his account for sundries supplied by him for the use of the s^{d} State.

Ordered the Board of War to pay Jonathan Cilley Eight pounds, lawful money, being one month's pay, in lieu of Beef & Rum, as per vote of Court.

Ordered Simeon Ladd to Grant the liberty of the yard to Jesse Christey.

Appointed Col. Saml Hunt & Col^{o} Nahum Baldwin, Muster Masters.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Joseph Gilman, Esq., thirty pounds two shillings, being for the use of Rum.

Dec. 14*th*, 1782. Ordered Mr Ephraim Robinson to deliver to the Board of War One of the Beef Cattle in his Custody & belonging to this State, for which they are to be accountable.

Ordered that Lt Joseph Huntoon & Capt. Chase Taylor continue on Quarter instead of Half pay, as Invalid Pensioners.

Ordered Mr Robinson to Deliver Maj. Caleb Robinson fifteen pounds, in Beef, for which he is to be accountable.

Ordered the Board of War to Deliver Capt. Eliph^{t} Ladd Twelve pounds, in Tow & Linen Cloth, being for an Order returned in favor of Josiah Mitchell, for securing Isaiah Wing, a Deserter.

Jan'y 2*d*, 1783.

Ordered the Board of War to deliver to George Downing, Serg^{t}, in such articles as they have on hand & belonging to this State, two months pay, for which he is to be accountable out of his Depreciation for the year 1781.

Ordered the Board of War to deliver to Capt Moses Dustin Two months pay, in such Articles as they have on hand & belonging to this State, for which he is to be accountable out of his Depreciation for the year 1781. The above Order returned & the following Orders Granted:

Ordered the Board of War to Deliver Capt. Moses Dustin One month's pay, in such Articles as they have on hand & belonging to this State, for which he is to be accountable out of his Depreciation for the year 1781.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay, by Discount out of the tax for 1782, to Capt. Moses Dustin, twelve pounds, for which he is to be accountable out of his Depreciation for the year 1781.

Jan'y 3. Ordered the Board of War to pay Barton Pollard, William Russell, David Watson, Edward Kendall, James Worster, Moses Ferrin, Joseph Sudrich, each one month's pay, for which they are severally accountable out of their depreciation.

Capt. Salter has accounted for three Barrels of Beef as per Roll, and for two Barrels, as per W. Blunt's account.

Directed Capt. Salter to continue his Command at fort Washington.

Ordered the Board of War to pay Eben^{r} Crommett, Joseph Gorden, John Loring, Gains Niles, & Simon Knowles each one month's pay, for which they are severally accountable out of their Depreciation.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay the Selectmen of Rye, by Discount out of the tax for the year 1782, Six pounds, being travel money paid to Nathl Foss, Job Foss, John Yeaton & Edward Hall, to Springfield.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay, by Discount out of the Tax for the year 1782, to Joseph Sudrich, Two pounds; to Eben Crommett, Serg^{t}, Three pounds; to Barton Pollard, Serg^{t}, Three pounds; to William Russell, Two pounds; to Moses Ferrin, two pounds; David Doe, two pounds; John Loring, two pounds; Edward Kendall, forty four shillings; James Worster, two pounds; Simon Knowles, two pounds; Joseph Gorden, two pounds; and to Gains Niles, Serg^{t}, three pounds, being one month's pay to each, as Continental Soldiers, for which they are to be accountable out of their Depreciation. Also, Ordered the Board of War to pay one month's pay to the afores^{d} Soldiers, in such Articles as they have on hand.

Jan'y 4th, 1783. Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay (by discount out of the Tax for 1782,) Serg^{t} John Canney three pounds, for which he is to be accountable out of his Depreciation; Also, Ordered that the Board of War pay the said Canney one month's wages, in such Articles as they have on hand, to be accounted for out of his Depreciation.

Permitted Simeon Ladd, Goal keeper, to grant the liberty of the Town of Exeter to Jesse Christey, but not to go without the Bounds of said Town without the permission of the General Court or Committee of Safety, he finding sufficient Bondsmen for his appearance when called for.

Ordered that the Treasurer pay Capt. James Carr, by Discount out of the Tax for 1782, Twelve pounds, for which he is to

be accountable out of his Depreciation; Also, that the Board of War pay said Carr twelve pounds, (being one month's pay,) in such Articles as they have on hand, to be accounted for out of his depreciation.

Thursday, January 9th, 1783.

(Appointed the Hon. Josiah Bartlett, Esqr, Chairman Com^{tee} S.)

Ordered that the Board of War deliver to all officers & Soldiers belonging to the New Hampshire Line, at home on furlough, One month's pay, in such Articles as they have on hand, and belonging to this State, excepting to such officers and Soldiers who have had separate Orders for said one month's pay, for which they are to be accountable out of their Depreciation.

Ordered that the Treasurer pay Wm D. Cannon, forty shillings; Serg^{t} Jean Jacquies Gullier la Jeunesse, three pounds; John Robinson, forty shillings; Robert Craige, forty shillings; John Foss, forty shillings, and Serj^{t} William Fowle, three pounds, being one month's pay as Continental Soldiers, and for which they are to be accountable out of their Depreciation.

Ordered that the Treasurer pay Jon^{a} Blake fifty seven shillings & nine pence, being the balance of his Account for keeping and nursing Abraham Matthews, a Continental Soldier, £2–17–9.

Jan'y 10th. Ordered the Treasurer to pay, by Discount out of the State Taxes, to David Howe, Serj^{t}, or Order, three pounds, and to John S. Farnum, Corp^{l}, forty four shillings, being one month's pay as Continental Soldiers, for which they are to be accountable out of their Depreciation, £3–0–0, £2–4–0.

Ordered that the Treasurer pay, (by Discount out of the State Taxes,) Edward Maison, Serj^{t}, three pounds, and to Ichabod Martin, two pounds, being one month's pay as Continental Soldiers, for which they are to be accountable out of their Depreciation.

Saturday, January 11th, 1783.

Ordered that the Treasurer pay Zach^{h} Fowle Sixty pounds, in part towards printing the second Plan of Government, for which he is to be accountable.

Gave Directions to the Treasurer relative to two Horses purchased by Mr Jewett.

Ordered that the Treasurer pay, by Discount out of the State Taxes, L^{t} & Adj^{t} Joseph Mills, eleven pounds eighteen shillings, and Serj^{t} Abel Morril, three pounds, being one month's pay as Continental Soldiers, for which they are to be accountable out of their Depreciation.

Thursday, January 16*th*, 1783.

Ordered that the Treasurer pay, by Discount out of the State Taxes, to Benjamin Welch, a private, two pounds; to Matthew N. Sanborn, Six pounds; to Zadock Reed, two pounds; to Lt John Harvey, eight pounds, being one month's pay to each, as belonging to the New Hampshire Line for which they are to be accountable out of their Depreciation.

Ordered that the Board of War deliver to Zadock Reed Twenty one yards of Cloth, agreeably to an Order drawn on them by Capt. Asa Senter, for which said Senter is to be accountable out of his Depreciation.

Friday, January 17*th*, 1783.

Ordered that the Treasurer pay, by Discount out of the State Taxes, to David Watson, forty shillings; Capt. David MacGregore, twelve pounds; Capt. Samuel Cherry, twelve pounds; William Heath, forty shillings, & to Eliphalet Rawlins, forty shillings, being one month's Wages to each, as belonging to the Continental Army, to be accountable for out of their Depreciation.

Saturday, January 18*th*, 1783.

Ordered that the Treasurer pay the Account of the Honble Josiah Bartlett, Esq., amounting to nineteen shillings & six pence, for Medicine & Attendance on A. Matthes, a Recruit.

Ordered that the Treasurer pay Jesse Hall fifty one shillings, and John Balch thirty seven shillings, for driving Cattle, for which Mr Jedediah Jewett is to be accountable.

Ordered that the Treasurer pay, by discount out of the State Taxes, to Cæser Wallace, forty shillings; to Daniel Clough, forty shillings; to Capt. Moody Dustin, twelve pounds; to Capt. William Rowell, twelve pounds; to Ens^{n} Oliver Bacon, six pounds; to Lt Moses Page, eight Pounds; to Phineas Wentworth, forty shillings, and to James Marden, forty shillings, being one month's pay to each, to be accounted for out of their Depreciation.

Friday, January 24, 1783.

Ordered that Mr Ephraim Robinson send eight Barrels of salted Beef to the Care of Col. Clapp, at Portsmouth, for the use of the Troops at Piscataqua Harbour.

Ordered that the Treasurer pay, by Discount out of the State Taxes, to Corp^{l} Robert Rawlins, forty four shillings, being one month's pay as a Corp. in the Continental Army, to be accounted for out of his Depreciation.

Wrote to Joseph Whipple, Esq., relative to money for the Continental Tax.

Saturday, January 25*th*, 1783.

Ordered that the Treasurer pay, by Discount out of the State Taxes, to Lt Jon^{a} Cass, twelve pounds, and to James Norris, forty shillings, as belonging to the Continental Army, to be accounted for out of Depreciation.

Thursday, January 30, 1783.

The Committee met and took into consideration sundry Matters relative to Maj^{r} Stark, Lt Pritchard & Maj^{r} Joseph Blanchard.

Friday, January 31*st*, 1783.

Ordered that the Treasurer pay, by Discount out of the State Taxes, to Lt Robert B. Wilkins, Eight pounds, and to John Eastman, forty shillings, to be accounted for out of their Depreciation.

Ordered that the Treasurer pay Nine pounds to Mr Jedediah Jewett, to be by him accounted for.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay the Bal^{ce} of Genl Stark's acco^{t}, amo^{g} to two hundred & twenty two pounds one shill^{g}, 6mo pay & Subsistence.

Ordered that the Treasurer pay John Smith, Esq., Nine pounds, in part for recording the Journals of the House of Representatives, for which he is to be accountable.

Thursday, February 6*th*, 1783.

Ordered that the Treasurer pay, by discount out of the Taxes for 1782, to Capt. Timothy Barron, Constable of Haverhill, two hundred & seventeen pounds & seven pence, being so much received by Col. Charles Johnston for supplying the Troops sent for the defence of the western frontiers.

Ordered that the Treasurer pay, by discount out of the Taxes, to Lt Archibald Stark, eight pounds; to Beriah Abbott, forty shillings; to Serj^{t} Timothy Farnham, three pounds; to Samuel Rawlins, forty shillings; and to Corp^{l} John Merrill, forty four shillings, to be accounted for out of their Depreciation.

Saturday, February 8, 1783.

Ordered that the Treasurer pay, by discount out of the State Taxes, to Joshua Danford, forty shillings; Cato Fisk, forty shillings, & to Jude Hall, forty shillings, to be accounted for out of their Depreciation.

Aug. 5, 1780.

List of Warrants or Certificates of Promotion in the New Hampshire Line.

Names of Officers.	Former Rank.	Promoted to	Regt.	Time when to take rank.	In the room or stead of.
Benjamin Titcomb	Maj. 2d Reg.	Lieut. Col. in	1st Regt.	24th March, 1780	Lt. Col. Gilman.
Amos Morrill,	Capt. 1' Reg	Major	2d Regt.	24 do do	Maj. Titcomb.
Jason Wait,	Capt. 1' Regt	Major	3d Regt.	5 July, 1780	Maj'r Norris.
Bezaleel Howe,	Ens. 1' Regt.	Lieut.	1" Regt.	23 June, 1779	Lt. Hutchins.
Jonathan Willard,	Ens. do	Lieut.	1" Regt.	23 Aug., 1779	Lt. Kimball.
Joshua Thompson.	Ens. do	Lieut.	do	30 Aug., 1779	Lt. McCalley.
Simon Sartwell,	Capt. Lt. do	Captain in	do	24 March, 1780	Capt. Morrill.
Moody Dustin,	Lt. do	Captain	do	do do	Capt. Emerson.
Josiah Munro,	Lt do	Capt. Lt.	do	do do	Cap. Lt Sartwell
Thomas Blake,	Ens. do	Lt.	do	do do	Lt. Munro.
Jonathan Perkins,	Ens. do	Lieut.	do	do do	Lt. Dustin.
Josiah Munro,	Capt. Lt. do	Captain in	do	5 July, 1780	Capt. Wait.
Daniel Clapp,	Lt. do	Capt. Lt.	do	do do	Capt. Lt. Munro.
Joseph Mills,	Ens. do	Lieut.	do	do do	Capt. Lt. Clapp.
Hubbard Carter,	Ens. do	Lt.	do	24 March, 1780	Lt. Dustin.
Samuel Cherry,	Cap. Lt. 2 Rg	Captain in	2d Regt.	30 Nov. 1779	Capt. Clayes.
Noah Robinson,	Lt. do	Capt. Lt.	do	do do	Capt. Lt. Cherry
Luke Woodbury,	Ens. do	Lieut.	do	30 Nov., 1779	Lt. Robinson.
Samuel Adams,	Ens. do	Lieut.	do	12 July, 1780	Lt. Hoit, cash^{d}
Joshua Merrow,	Ens. do	Lieut.	do	do do	Lt. Light, cash^{d}
Daniel Gookin,	Ens. do	Lt. in	do	do do	Lt. Nichols, cash^{d}
John Dennett,	Cap. Lt. 3 Rg	Captain in	3d Reg.	1 July, 1780	Capt. Ellis.
Benjamin Ellis,	Lt. do	Capt. in	do	5 July, 1780	Capt. Hawkins.
Adna Pennyman,	Lt. do	Capt. Lt.	do	do do do	Capt. Lt. Dennett
Jonathan Cilley,	Ens. do	Lt. in	do	do do do	Lt. Pennyman.
Archibald Stark,	Ens. do	Lt. in	do	do do do	Lt. Chase.
Nathan Weare,	Ens. do	Lt. in	do	do do do	Lt. Ellis.

Exeter, July 4th, 1781.

Pursuant to a vote of the Honble Court appointing a Committee to examine and determine the double Returns, from several Towns, of Soldiers belonging to the State of New Hampshire in the Continental Army, after hearing the Parties, beg leave to report as follows, viz:

	Claimed by.	Belongs to.
Icabod Perry,	Given up by Parkersfield, to	Wilton.
Daniel Barker,	returned for Wilton, belongs to	Mile Slip.
Bunker Clark,	claimed by New Ipswich,	Parkersfield.
Michael George,	do Londonderry,	Exeter.
David Morgin,	do Rye,	Brintwood.
Winthrop Fox,	do Plymouth and Campton,	we say, to Plymouth.
Nicholas Hall,	do Plastow,	Plymouth.
David Neuins,	returned by Plymouth,	Alexandria.
Edw'd Evans,	claimed by Boscawen,	Plymouth.
Samuel Wilson,	do Kensington,	Conway.
John Wadleigh,	do Atkinson,	Exeter.
Paul Cook,	do Deerfield,	Dover.
Samuel Heath,	do Atkinson,	Plastow.
Alex'r McMasters,	do Windham,	Londonderry.
Joseph Green,	do Greenland,	Stratham.
Cæsar Wallace,	do Newtown,	Rye.
Benja. Dockum,	Given up by Epping to Hampton for one year.	
Levi Pottle, a recruit	claimed by Stratham,	Rye.
George Patterson,	claimed by Exeter,	Thornton.
Alex'd Patterson,	do Exeter,	Thornton.
James Floyd,	do Greenland,	Stratham.

Mem'o. Determinations of Com'tee of Safety, purs't to Vote of the 4 July, 1781.

July 13.	David Hunt,	Sandown & Poplin,	Poplin.
	Simon Knowles,	Northwood & Poplin,	Northwood.
" 19.	Benj'a Dowe,	Northwood & New Markett,	Northwood.
	Joseph Gorden,	Exeter & Kingston,	Kingston.
	Will'm Clifford,	Kingston & East Kingston,	given up by Kingston.
	James Kenniston,	New Markett & Stratham,	New Markett,
	Will'm Willey,	Nottingham & Gilmantown,	Nottingham.
Aug. 28.	George Wilson,	Nottingham West & Windham,	Windham.
	Will'm Darrah,	Litchfield & Windham,	Determ'n put off.
	Silas Fox,	Campton & Moses Dow, Esq.,	Campton.
	George Sheppard,	Boscawen & Canterbury,	Boscawen.
Sept. 6.	Samuel Wells,	Sandown & Chester,	Sandown.
	Peter Wells,	not determ'd, because New Chester not notified.	
	David Morgan,	Brintwood & Rye,	Brintwood.
" 14.	Tho's Shaw,	Portsm'h, Green'ld and Allenstown,	Allenstown.
	John Cook,	Dover & Pembroke,	Pembroke.
" 20.	Benj'n Cotton,	Bow & Gilmantown,	Bow.
	James Bowles,	Kingston & Bow, given up by Bow to Kingston.	
" 21.	Robert Livingston,	New Boston & Concord,	New Boston.
	Andrew White,	New Boston & Goffstown,	New Boston.
	Sam'l Boyd,	Hollis, Goffstown & New Boston,	New Boston.
	Samuel Davis,	Hampstead & Goffstown,	Hampstead.
	Andrew White, (1)	New Boston & Goffstown,	New Boston.
Oct. 5.	Joseph Smith,	Boscaw'n, Plastow, Plym'h &	Wentworth, Plastow.
" 6.	George Fall,	Somersworth & Wakefield,	Wakefield.
	Wm. Wentworth,	Somersworth & Wakefield,	Wakefield.
	Jon'a Morgan,	Nottingham & Wakefield,	Wakefield.
" 19.	Sterling Heath,	Atkinson & New Chester,	New Chester.
	John Clark,	Hampstead & New Chester,	New Chester.
	Joshua Wilson,	Goffstown & New Chester,	New Chester.
Nov. 30.	Peter Wells,	Chester, Sandown & New Chester,	Chester.

1782, March. Disputes settled since the Act Ascertaining Deficiencies.

	Jn'o Scales Farnham,	Hopkinton & Concord,	Hopkinton.
	Wm. Moulton,	allowed to	Hampton.
" 21.	John Merrill,	Pembroke & Concord,	Concord.
	Nathan Shead,	Concord & Windham,	Concord.
	Wm. Darrah,	Windham & Litchfield.	Windham.
	Tho's Pitts,	Romney & Concord,	Concord.
	Wm. Lyons,	New Holderness & Concord,	Concord.
	Daniel Clough,	Weare & Hopkinton,	Weare.
	Jn'o Nicholas Harbour,	adjud'ed to	Winchester.
	Tho's Matthews,	Allenstown & Deerfield,	Deerfield.
	Isaac Clerkin,	allowed to Lyndeboro' by a Certi'fe, if he is in service.	
	Daniel Bridges,	allowed to	Wolfeborough.

Sam'l Neil claimed by Temple & Moultonboro'. Moultonboro' notified, but not appearing it is the opinion of Com'ee that s'd Neil belongs to Temple.

Ap. 18.	James Bowley,	Atkinston & Kingston,	Kingston.
" 19.	Ephraim Blood,	Allowed to Dunstable, as per return from Camp.	
	James Allard,	Portsmouth & Hampton,	Hampton.
	Jona' Eaton,	Seabrook & Hampton,	Hampton.
" 26.	Enoch Dockum,	a deserter, joined March, 1781, Epping.	
	Nat. Brown,	Sandwich & Epping,	Sandwich.
May 3.	John Caldwell,	Londonderry & Candia,	Candia.
	Peter Freeman, negro,		Kingston.
" 10.	Elisha Roberts,	Seabrook & Weare,	Weare.
	Ezekiel Stone,	Henniker, Newton and State,	Newtown.
	Obed McLane,	Goffstown & Litchfield,	Goffstown.
" 15.	Ichabod Martin,	Derryfield & Goffstown,	Goffstown.
	John Raino,		
" 23.	Edward McColley,	Londonderry & State,	Londonderry.
	John Allen,		Londonderry.
" 31.	Daniel Horn,	Dover & Rochester,	Dover.
June 18.			
	Florence McCalley,	Concord & Conway,	Conway.
21.	John Raino,	Amherst & Andover,	Andover.
	John Ash,	Andover & Salisbury,	Andover.
	Amasa Parker,	Swansey & Winchester,	not determined.
24.	John Nicholson,	is made to appear that he is now in the Army for the Town of Swansey.	

Rehearing July 12.

	Joshua Wilson,	New Chester & Goffstown,	New Chester.
	Richard Green,	North Hampton & Rye,	North Hampton.
	Will'm Hill,	Lee & Barrington,	Lee.
	Andrew Johnson,	Durham & Barrington,	Durham.
	Joseph Wilson,	Amherst, Lyndeboro' & Rindge,	Amherst.
July 19.	Lemuel Royce, alias Rice,	Richmond & Hollis,	Richmond.
	Paul Cook,	Dover & Deerfield,	Dover.
" 26.	Joseph Hall,	Barrington & Nottingham,	Barrington.
Aug. 2.	Asa Crosson,	Hampton & Richmond,	Richmond.
	Nath'l Powers, Abner Powers, Tho's Hunt, Will. Taggart,	Charlestown & Richmond,	Richmond.
" 29.	David Doe,	New Durham & Rochester,	New Durham.
	Simeon Powers,	Charlestown & Ackworth,	Ackworth.
Sept. 19.	Peter Beebee,	a deserter, appears to belong to Gilsum.	
Oct. 4.	David Scott,	enlisted for the present war, is to be reckoned to belong to	Hampton Falls.

(1) Were there two of the same name? or is it a mistake? Ed.

Ordered that the Treasurer pay Mr Jedediah Jewett Sixteen pounds ten shillings, in bills of the new Emission, being the Balance of his Acco^{t} for settling Depreciation from June 29th, 1780, to Jany 8, 1781.

Ordered that the Treasurer pay, by Discount out of the Taxes, to the Selectmen of Poplin, two pounds three shillings, being for an Order returned for Eighty pounds, old Currency, Bounty & Travel money paid two men inlisted in Col^{o} Mooney's Regiment, for the Defence of Rhode Island.

Ordered that the Treasurer pay the balance of the Account of Mr Jedediah Jewett, as State Clothier, Amounting to Sixty five pounds nine shillings and nine pence.

Ordered that the Treas^{r} pay Mark Nutter, or Order, forty shillings, & John Mitchell, forty shillings, as privates in the New Hampshire Line, to be accounted for out of Depreciation.

Thursday, February 13, 1783.

Ordered that Isaac Williams, Iss^{g} Com^{y}, Deliver to the Soldiers under marching Orders, six days Provision, to enable them to go to Camp.

Ordered that the Treasurer pay, by Discount out of the Taxes, forty shillings to Corp^{l} Stephen Runels, as belonging to the Continental Army, to be accounted for out of his Depreciation.

Ordered that the Treasurer pay forty shillings, by discount out of the State Taxes, to Samuel Ward, as a priv^{te} belonging to the New Hampshire line, to be accounted for out of his Depreciation.

Ordered that the Treas^{r} pay forty shillings, by discount out of the State Taxes, to Edward Sawyer; Also, Ordered that the Board of War pay said Sawyer one month's wages, in such Articles as they have on hand, & belonging to this State, to be by him accounted for.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay, by discount out of the Taxes, Corp^{l} Saml Marsh, forty four shillings; Jacob Thomas, Fifer, forty four shillings; Nathan Hoit, 40s; Benj^{a} Berry, 40s; Jacob Procter, 40s; Lt Nathan Weare, eight pounds, one m^{o} wages, to be accounted for out of Depreciation.

Ordered that the Treas^{r} pay Simon Knowles forty shillings; Reuben Rand, 40s; James Hawkley, 40s; John Caldwel, Fifer,

44s; Andrew White, Serj^{t}, £3; Daniel Gage, Serj^{t}, £3; Col. Geo. Reid, £22–10; Capt. Geo. P. Frost, £12; Lt Joshua Merrow, £8; George Abbot, 40s; John Shepherd, Serj^{t}, 60s; to be accounted for out of their Depreciation.

Ordered that the Treas^{r} pay, by Discount out of the State Taxes, to the Selectmen of Wilton, Sixty Six shillings and eight pence, being travel money paid four Soldiers to Springfield, as p^{r} Receipt.

Ordered that the Treas^{r} pay Mr Jedediah Jewett, or Order, by discount out of the State Taxes, three pounds two shillings; Also, Six pounds eight shilling & five pence half penny, for driving Cattle, to be by him accounted for.

26. Ordered that the Treas^{r} pay, by Discount out of State Taxes, to the Selectmen of Parkersfield, One pound twelve shillings, Travel money paid John French & John Morse, to Springfield.

Ordered that the Treas^{r} pay, by discount out of the Taxes, to the Selectmen of Pembroke, four pounds ten shillings, travel money paid Aaron Kimbal, Benj^{a} Sargent, John Kimbal & Gid^{n} Piper, to Springfield.

Ordered that the Treas^{r} pay, by discount out of the State Taxes, to the Town of Keene, thirty shillings and four pence, travel money paid Benj^{a} Randal & Eben^{r} Billings to Haverhill, Coös.

Ordered that the Treas^{r} pay, by discount to the Selectmen of Concord, Seven pounds eleven shillings and eight pence, travel money paid seven Soldiers in Capt. Head's Company, to Springfield.

Ordered that the Treas^{r} pay the Selectmen of Lyme, by discount out of the State Taxes for 1782, Ten pounds six shillings and three pence, for eight hundred & twenty five pounds w^{t} of Beef, rec'd by Col^{o} Charles Johnston of Capt. John Thompson, for Supplies of Soldiers at Haverhill.

Ordered that the Treas^{r} pay, by discount out of the Taxes, to B. Genl Joseph Badger, ten shillings & nine pence, travel money paid to Ammi Choate to Haverhill, Coös.

Ordered that the Treas^{r} pay, by discount out of the Taxes, to

Nathan Greenleaf, 44s; Samuel G. Allen, 40s; Thomas Harvey, 40s; Dependence Colebath, 60s.

March 5th. Ordered that the Treas^{r} pay, by discount out of State Taxes, to Joseph Young, Corp^{l}, forty four shillings; Josh^{a} Snow, Serj^{t}, Sixty shillings; Alexander Patterson, forty shillings; Willm Hilton, Drum^{r}, forty four shillings; Danl Cross, Corp^{l}, forty four shillings; Asaph Butler, forty shillings; Jon^{a} Downing, Serj^{t} Maj., Sixty Shillings; John Rogers, Serj., 60s; Samuel Card, 60s; Geo. Shepherd, 40s; Saml Lear, 40; Icabod Horn, 40s; David Page, Corp, 44s; Col^{o} Dearborn, £22–10; Gid^{n} Kirkland, 40; Silas Russel, 40s; John Jenness, 40s; Edwd Eastman, 40s; being one month's pay to each, as belonging to the New Hampshire line, to be accounted for out of Depreciation.

March 6. Ordered that the Treas^{r} pay Joshua Copp, Col^{t} of Beef, Grafton, five pounds fourteen shillings, for time & Expences, &c., to notify Towns of the time to receive Beef.

Ordered that the Treas^{r} pay William Hilton, Drum^{r}, or Order, Eight pounds eight shillings, to be by him accounted for out of his Depreciation.

Ordered that the Treas^{r} pay, by discount out of the State Taxes, to John Marshall, Junr, Ten pounds eight shillings & one penny, for repairing Boats, &c., at the forts for the Defence of Piscataqua Harbour.

Ordered that the Treas^{r} pay Capt. John Jenison, or Order, the following Sums, viz: £30–17–12, £8–8–6, £3–13, £7–12, £14–10, £13–1–7, £7–7–10, £3–1–2, £0–5–3, £8–0–11, £0–19–11, £4–5–6, £6–3–2, £2–6–3, £10–10–11, £4–10–6, £4–13–9, £0–8–0, £0–18–0, £11–7–0, £28–5–11, £5–1–1, for pasturing Cattle, &c. And Saml Trott, £7–15; Absolem Kingsbury, £2–11–6; Jno Alexander, £4–14–6; Dorn Guild, £4–4–0; Jed^{h} Sanger, £3; Capt. John Jenison, £16, Expences in collecting Cattle, to be by him accounted for.

March 7th. Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay, by discount out of the State Taxes, to Maj. Caleb Robinson, £30; Capt. George P. Frost, £24; Lt. Joshua Merrow, £16; L^{t} & Adj^{t} Joseph Mills, £23–16, and to Lt John Adams, £16, being two month's pay as

belonging to the New Hampshire line, to be accounted for out of their Depreciation.

Ordered that the Treas^{r} pay, by discount out of the State Taxes, to Mr Ephraim Robinson the following Sums, viz: One for two pounds nineteen shillings, One for three pounds ten shillings & six pence, One for one pound sixteen shillings and nine pence, and One for one pound nineteen shillings & six pence, for keeping Cattle, to be by him accounted for.

Ordered that the Treas^{r} pay Capt. Eliphalet Giddinge thirty nine pounds eighteen shillings & six pence, as Collect^{r} of Beef Cattle, and for which he is to be accountable.

His Honor the President wrote to His Excellency Governor Hancock, The Hon^{b} Jon^{a} Warner, Esq., and to the Hon^{bl} Robert Morris, Esq., Financier.

11. Ordered that the Treas^{r} pay, by discount out of the State Taxes, to Stephen Noble, 40s; to Benj^{a} Cotton, Serj^{t}, 60s; Nathl Glines, 40s; John Nichols, Serg^{t}, Sixty Shillings; David Richards, forty shillings; Joseph Wheat, 44s; Joseph Ricker, 40s; to be accounted for out of Depreciation.

March 13*th*, *Thursday*. Ordered the Treasurer to pay, by Discount out of the State Taxes, to Capt. Moses Dustin nine pounds, being in part for two months pay. Also, fifteen pounds, being in part for two months pay, as belonging to the New Hampshire Line, to be accounted for out of his Depreciation.

Ordered that the Treas^{r} pay, by discount out of the State Taxes, to Levi Hoit, 40s; Hezekiah Clark, 60s; to be accounted for out of Depreciation.

Gave directions to Col^{o} Samuel Chase relative to lands of Absentees & Subjects of Great Britain.

Friday, *March* 14, 1783. Ordered the Treas^{r} to discharge the Town of Westmoreland from any & all Demands respecting the Deficiency of Soldiers, as it appears they have their full proportion of Men in the Continental Army.

The Committee having received authentic Information that William Hilton, a Soldier in the New Hampshire Battalions, enlisted at Ticonderoga in the year 1776, and received no State Bounty at that time nor since,

Therefore Ordered the Treas^{r} to issue to said William Hilton a Note for twenty pounds and a Certificate for the Interest of the same from the first day of January, 1777, in the same manner as if the Notes had then been issued & now presented for the Interest.

Ordered that the Treasurer pay the Account of Robt Wilson, Esq., Amounting to twenty four shillings, Time & Expences counting Votes for Counsellors for the year 1783.

Directed Joseph Gilman, Esq., Capt. Josiah Gilman & Mr Eph^{m} Robinson to adjust & Settle the Depreciation of the wages of such Officers & Soldiers as were accounted a part of this State's Troops in the year 1780, for said year, whether in the New Hampshire line or not, in the same manner as the said Troops were settled with prior to that time.

Ordered that the Treas^{r} pay, by discount out of the State Taxes, to Capt. David Macgregore, twenty four pounds; Lt Samuel Mason, £16; Willm Hill, Serj^{t}, £3; Joseph Nealey, Serj^{t}, 60s; Andrew Johnson, 40s; one month's pay to each, to be accounted for out of Depreciation.

A Receipt (signed Nathl Gilman, in behalf of Nich^{s} Gilman, Esq., Treas^{r},) for a Bond signed by James McGregore, John Neal & Saml Folsom for £427, was lodged in the Secretary's Office by Genl Folsom.

Ordered that the Treasurer pay, by discount out of the State Taxes, to the Parish of Kensington, Seven pounds, travel money paid Edward True, William French, Charles Page & Daniel True, to Springfield.

Ordered that the Treasurer pay, by discount out of the State Taxes, to the Selectmen of Hampton falls, forty eight shillings, travel money paid Benj^{a} Swett & Phineas Batchelder, to Springfield.

Saturday, March 15th, 1783. Ordered that the Treas^{r} pay Col^{o} Supply Clapp thirty pounds, as Agent Victualler, to be by him accounted for, £30–0–0.

Ordered that the Treas^{r} pay, by discount out of the State Taxes, to the Board of War, One Hundred and fifty pounds, to be by them accounted for.

Thursday March 20, 1783. Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay, by discount out of the Tax for 1782, to Benjamin Huntoon, Constable of Salisbury, five pounds five shillings, Supplies for the Men raised for the defence of the western Frontiers, and received by Col^{o} Charles Johnston, for which said Johnston is to be accountable.

Friday, March 21, 1783.

Ordered that the Treas^{r} pay, by discount out of Taxes, to Lt Arch^{d} Stark, £16; James Norris, 40s; Mark Nutter, 40s; to be accounted for out of Depreciation.

Wrote to General Stark, in answer to a Letter from him.

Saturday, March 22*d*, 1783. Ordered that the Treas^{r} pay Alexander Morrison Nine pounds eight shillings & three pence, Amo^{t} of his Acco^{t} for Bread deliv'd Isaac Williams, Iss^{g} Coms^{y}, for use of Soldiers.

Ordered that the Treas^{r} pay Ephraim Barker four pounds seven shillings, being the Balance of his Account for Boarding Soldiers, &c., as per Acco^{t}.

Ordered that the Treas^{r} pay, by discount out of the Taxes, to Paul Cook, 40s; James Blair, 40s; John Norton, forty shillings; Stephen Ames, 80s; Philip Blazedale, 40s; John Nichols, £3; Willm Hill, £3; Joseph Nealey, £3; Edward Eastman, 40s.

[Instructions to Mr. Robinson.

Feb'y 3*d*, 1779. Two hundred pounds was granted to Lt Gold, fifty nine pounds seven shillings & six pence to be deducted; the Remainder with whatever else he may have received, to be calculated according to the Scale of Depreciation, no deduction to be made for the Doct^{rs} Bill until presented.]

Friday, March 28, 1783. Had a Conference with Col. Moulton relative to his house which had been improved as a Barrack, and agreed to enter upon it again on next Friday, if Maj^{r} Gains shall be present.

Saturday, March 29*th*, 1783.

Ordered that the Treas^{r} pay Saml Marsh, Corp^{l}, Eight pounds

fourteen shillings, Time & Expences in securing Deserters as p^{r} Acco^{t}. Also, to pay s^{d} Marsh, by discount out of Taxes, forty four shillings, One month's pay as belonging to the New Hampshire line, to be accounted for out of Depreciation.

Ordered that the Treas^{r} pay, by discount out of taxes, to Saml Card, Serj^{t}, £3 ; Stephen Noble, 40s ; John Mitchel, 40s ; Capt. Saml Cherry, £24 ; Joseph Ricker, 40s ; Col^{o} Geo. Reid, £22–10 ; Doctor Saml Morey, £12 ; Geo. Shepherd, 40s ; Alexd^{r} Patterson, 40s ; John Rogers, £3, and Icabod Horn, 40s ; to be accounted for out of Depreciation.

Ordered that the Treasurer pay the Account of Zach^{h} Fowle, amounting to Ninety pounds six shillings & ten pence, in the following manner, viz : An Order on the Treas^{r} to pay, by discount out of the State Taxes, for thirty pounds ; One for thirty pounds three shillings, and one for thirty pounds three shillings & ten pence.

April 4th, 1783.

Desired the Selectmen of Epping to deliver to Col^{o} Cilley one Barrel of Powder, now in your Custody, & belonging to this State.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Col^{o} Supply Clapp thirty nine pounds fifteen shillings & nine pence, for which he is to be accountable as Agent Victual^{r}.

Desired Genl Folsom to take the Care & Charge of two Brass field Pieces, which were brought from Portsmouth by Capt. Jon^{a} Cass.

Wrote to Mr Robert Smith relative to Col^{o} George Reid.

Ordered that the Treas^{r} pay, by discount out of the State Taxes, to Samuel Lear, 30s ; Dep^{de} Colebath, 60s ; Andrew Johnson, 40s ; for which each is to be accountable out of his Depreciation.

Friday, April 11th, 1783.

Desired the Board of War to deliver to Maj^{r} George Gains such a quantity of powder as he may desire, but not to exceed four Barrels.

His Honor the President wrote to his Excellency, President Boudimot, relative to the death of the Continental Loan Officer for this State.

Saturday, 12 *April*, 1783.

Desired the Board of War to deliver the second month's pay to the Officers & Soldiers of the New Hampshire line, at home on furlough, if requested, to be accounted for out of their Depreciation for the year 1781.

Wednesday, *April* 16, 1783.

Ordered the Board of War to pay to John Balch, Post Rider, to the amount of Nine pounds ten shillings, in such Articles as they have on hand, and belonging to this State, to be by him accounted for.

Friday, *April* 18*th*, 1783. Desired the Board of War to deliver to Brig^{d} Genl Whipple two Barrels of Powder, out of the four Barrels for which Maj^{r} Gains had an Order, dated 11th April, 1783.

Thursday, *April* 24*th*, 1783. His Honor the President certified that it is the opinion of the Committee of Safety that Lt Nathl Boyd, in Capt. Thos^{s} Nichols company, raised for the Defence of the western frontiers, in the year 1780, is entitled to an Order for forty five shillings & six pence, Silver money, as L^{t} in said Company, when there is a Treas^{r} on whom an Order may be drawn.

April 25, 1783.

Ordered the Committee on Depreciation to settle with Capt. Nicholas Gilman, as an assistant to the Adj^{t} Genl, for his additional pay from the 15th of Jan^{y}, 1778, to the end of the year 1781.

Liberated & discharged Jesse Christey from bonds, &c.

Wednesday, *April* 30*th*, 1783.

Directed Capt. Salter to continue his Command at fort Washington with Lt Bell, and to discharge all those under his Command Excepting one Serjeant and Six privates.

May 16, 1783. Gave directions to Capt. Salter relative to Sale of Bridge, &c.

May 24*th*, 1783. Ordered the Board of War to let Capt. Josiah Gilman have to the amount of twenty five pounds, in such Articles as they have on hand, at cash price.

Gave Instructions to Eleazer Russel, Esq., Naval Officer.

Directed Isaac Williams, Iss^{g} Com^{sy}, to make Sale of all the Beef which he has on hand, and belonging to this State, at public Vendue, giving timely notice of the Sale, and that State Securities will be taken in payment therefor.

June 6, 1783. The Honble Josiah Bartlett, Esq., certified that the Com^{tee} Rec'd of Col^{o} George Reid, by the hands of Lt Harvey, three hundred & ninety two Dollars, of the new Emission, & Receipts for six hundred & fifty Dol^{s}, like money, paid to thirteen Soldiers for a Bounty, which sums were on Acco^{ts} of 1500 Doll^{s} s^{d} Reid received of s^{d} State by the hand of Mr J. Jewett.

June 7, 1783. wrote to Mr Pierce, Paymaster Genl.

Thursday, *June* 26*th*, 1783. Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Capt. Saml Gilman fifty six pounds sixteen shillings and one penny, Balance due to said Gilman as a Trustee of the confiscated Estate of the late Governor John Wentworth, Esq.

Ordered that the Treas^{r} Issue Certificates for the Interest due on the following Notes, viz: N° 16, dated May 3^{d}, 1782, for four Hundred pounds; N° 17, dated May 3^{d}, 1782, for four hundred pounds; N° 19, dated May 3^{d}, 1782, for three hundred pounds, all in favor of Genl James Reid, and endorse the same on said Notes, and take a Receipt for the same.

Friday, *June* 27*th*, 1783. Ordered that Treas^{r} pay Genl Folsom Seventy two shillings, for expences, &c., &c., transporting two field Pieces from Portsm^{o} to Exeter.

Saturday, 28*th* *June*, 1783. Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay the widow Mary Hill Seven pounds sixteen shillings, for barracking Soldiers from March 1, to March 31, 1783.

Friday, *July* 11*th*, 1783. Wrote to Maj^{r} Geo. Gains & Mr Nathl Folsom, relative to Barracks, &c. Also, to Lt Meshech Bell.

Saturday, *July* 12, 1783.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to Let the Honble Josiah Bartlett have thirty pounds, drawn in two Orders of fifteen pounds each, for which he is to be accountable.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay, by discount out of the Taxes, Col^{o} Jacob Gale, fifty four shillings, for mustering Soldiers in 1779; also, the Sum of Seventy two shillings, for mustering Soldiers in 1779.

Thursday 24 *July*, 1783.

Ordered that the Treasurer Issue a Note in favor of Samuel Potter, with a Certificate for the Interest thereof, for the sum of forty two pounds six shillings and eight pence, in the following manner, viz: a Certificate for the Interest of the sum of twelve pounds, from the last of the year 1780; for the Interest of twelve pounds from the last of the year 1781; for the Interest of the Sum of twelve pounds, from the last of the year 1782, being his extra pay of twenty shillings p^{r} month, instead of a bounty promised him in the year 1776, in full of his extra pay to the 10th of July, 1783.

Friday, 25*th July*, 1783. Desired Mr Thomas Bickford, Issuing Com^{sy}, to prepare his Accounts in order for settlement, and that he attend said business on Friday next, at Exeter.

Ordered that the Treasurer pay Simeon Ladd, Goal keeper, four pounds nineteen shillings and six pence, being the balance of his account for carrying John Stinson from Dunbarton to Exeter Goal, &c., &c.

Ordered that the Treasurer pay Joseph Pearson thirty eight shillings and three pence, being the amount of his account for sundries supply'd for the use of the State.

Wrote to Sundry Persons in Brintwood, relative to powder.

Wrote to the Honble John Langdon.

Gave a Certificate to the Town of Pembroke.

Desired Capt. Josiah Gilman to call on Col^{o} Danl Reynolds & Capt. Ezek^{l} Worthen to know why all the men on their Roll, (Rhode Island Service,) are not paid off, as some of them complain they have not received their due.

July 29. Wrote to Col^{o} Saml Hubbard, desiring him to deliver to Joseph Gilman, Esq., (one of the Committee to settle the Accounts between this and the United States,) the pay Rolls now in his hands, that the same may be presented to Mr Gorham for allowance. Signed by Nathl Folsom, Chairm^{n}.

Friday, August 1st, 1783.

Ordered that the Treas^{r} pay Lt Robt B. Wilkins forty six shillings & eight pence, being so much due to him of Capt. Walkers' pay Roll in 1776.

Saturday, Aug'st 2d, 1783. Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay, by Discount, to Thomas Odiorne, Esq., Receiver of non residents' Taxes, the Sum of Two hundred & four pounds fifteen shillings and five pence one farthing, being the taxes on lands of the late John Tomlinson, Esq., deceased, Col^{o} Mason & John Fisher, Esq., for the year 1782.

The Account of Maj^{r} Benjamin Whitcomb for Bounties paid to Soldiers, Journey to procure Provisions, &c., &c., was allowed.

Friday, August 8th, 1783. Ordered that the Treas^{r} pay Col^{o} Supply Clapp, or Order, the following Sums, viz: Twenty six pounds eleven shillings, fifteen pounds, ten pounds seventeen shillings & four pence, and Twenty three pounds seven shillings and six pence, for which he is to be accountable as Agent Victualler.

Saturday, August 9th, 1783. Ordered the Treasurer to Issue a Note in favor of Major William Scott for twenty pounds, being a State Bounty paid by him to John Brown, in June, 1777.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay, by discount out of the State Taxes, to the Selectmen of Amherst, their account, amounting to one hundred fifty six pounds five shillings & one penny, in the following manner, viz: One Order for £17–19–1, One for £50, & One for £88–6–0, for supplying Recruits with Beef.

Wrote to Major George Gains & Mr Nathl Folsom, of Portsmouth.

Friday, August 15th, 1783.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay the Honble Phillips White, Esq., the Sum of Two Hundred and thirty three pounds, being the Balance of his Account for Attendance in Congress, Travel, &c., from 14 Oct^{o}, 1782, to June 5, 1783.

Ordered the Board of War to pay Serj^{t} Jean Jaquies Guiller la Jeunesse to the amount of six pounds, Cash price, in such Articles as they have on hand, & belonging to this State, being for Expences, &c., in marching Edwards, Wing, Allard & Wait to Camp.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay John Balch fifty nine pounds ten shillings & six pence, Ballance of his Acco^{t} in full for riding Post from July, 1782, to July 27th, 1783.

Saturday, 16 *August*, 1783.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Josiah Gilman, Junr, three pounds five shillings & four pence, Expences to Concord, by desire of Genl Court.

Wrote to Col^{o} Enoch Hale.

Friday, *August* 29*th*, 1783.

His Honor the President certified to the Treas^{r} that the Town of Chester is to have Credit for Thomas Downing & Charles Breed, who were mustered by Caleb Robinson, Muster Master, one on the 17th and the other on the 23^{d} of Jan^{y}, 1783, for whom as yet they have had no Credit.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to issue a Note in favor of Brigd^{r} Genl John Stark for two hundred & twenty two pounds five shillings & six pence, being the balance of his Acco^{t} as Brigd^{r} Genl in 1781.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Col^{o} Supply Clapp, by discount out of the State Taxes, the Sum of thirty three pounds; also, the Sum of Sixty five pounds thirteen shillings and eleven pence, in full of his Acco^{t} as Agent Victualler.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Joseph Tilton Sixty three shillings, travel money paid to Benj^{a} Davis, Jon^{a} Wyman, John Buswell, to Springfield.

Gave a Permit to Daniel Nelson to visit his relations at Portsmouth.

Also, a Permit to Abigail Robertson.

Saturday, *August* 30*th*, 1783.

Ordered that the Treas^{r} pay Zachariah Fowle the Sum of Sixteen pounds ten shillings, in part towards his account.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Capt. Eliphalet Giddinge thirty pounds; also, the sum of twenty eight pounds five shillings six pence, for which he is accountable as Collector of Beef.

Friday, *Sept.* 5, 1783.

Ordered that the Treas^{r} pay Maj^{r} Geo. Gains three pounds,

amo^{t} of his acco^{t} for Expences, &c., in settling the Acco^{t} of Col^{o} Jon^{a} Moulton.

Saturday, Sept. 6th, 1783.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay, by Discount out of the State Taxes, to Col^{o} Joseph Badger, Sixteen pounds four shillings & nine pence; also, Ten pounds seven shillings and ten pence, in full of his account for Collecting Beef Cattle, which was this day passed & allowed.

Ordered that the Treas^{r} pay Jon^{a} Moulton, Esq., the Sum of Seventy five pounds, lawful money, in full for the Rent of his House and Damages when used as a Barrack in 1777; also, to pay Sixty pounds to the Board of war, for which they are to be accountable.

Directed the Treasurer to examine the Returns of the several Muster Masters since the issuing of the late Extents for the deficiencies of Soldiers, and see that the several Towns and places in this State have credit for those men which they have procured since the issuing said Extents.

Ordered that the Treas^{r} pay to His Honor the President, Meshech Weare, Esq., the sum of One hundred & twenty pounds, for which he is to be accountable.

Friday, Sept. 19th, 1783. *In Com'tee of Safety.* The Honble Josiah Bartlett, Esq., as Chairman, certified that the Town of Portsmouth ought to have credit on an Extent issued against them for Edward Rendall, a Soldier, who was omitted, and also for John Moree, a Soldier in the Continental Army, mustered by Major Caleb Robinson, in the month of February last.

Also, that the Town of Greenland have credit for Paul Blaso, Thos Blaso & Nathan Marstin, Soldiers, mustered by Major Robinson in December last, in part for their deficiency of Soldiers to fill up their Quota.

Ordered that the Treas^{r} pay, by Discount out of the State Taxes, with the Town of Salisbury, the Sum of twenty pounds, being for eight hundred pounds weight of Beef, supply'd by s^{d} Salisbury, in the year one thousand Seven hundred and eighty one, more than Francis Blood, Esq., made return of.

The Honble Josiah Bartlett, Esq., as Chairman of the Com-

mittee of Safety, certified that the Town of Sandwich, having made it appear to this Committee that John Rowe, a Soldier, belonging to Whitcomb's Corps, is a Soldier belonging to s^{d} Town, and therefore said Town is to have credit for said Rowe, over and above the numbers that they have had credit for.

Whereas, application hath been made to this Committee by the Honorable John Langdon, Esq., that permission may be granted to the wife of Colburn Barrel, with her three children, to tarry at Portsmouth untill an Opportunity shall offer to return to her Husband; Whereupon ordered that She with her children are permitted to tarry until the further Order of the Genl Court or the Order of the Committee of Safety.

Friday, Oct'o 10th, 1783.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay, out of the State Taxes, to the Board of War, or their Order, the Sum of fifteen pounds, for which they are to be accountable, at which time an Order on the Treas^{r} in favor of the Board for fifteen pounds was returned. s^{d} Order is dated May 23^{d}, 1783.

Ordered that the Treas^{r} pay Isaac Merrill & John Hale, by discount out of the State Taxes, Two pounds six shillings & eight pence each, for wages in Capt. Walker's Company in 1776.

Saturday, Oct'o 11th, 1783.

Ordered that the Treas^{r} pay, by discount out of the State Taxes, to Simeon Ladd, Goal keeper, Ten pounds, for which he is to be accountable.

Desired the Board of War to let the officers & Soldiers of the New Hampshire line have, (if requested) such Articles as they have on hand, at the prices for which they were received in at; also, to sell for State Securities, (if desired) any of the s^{d} Articles.

Wrote to Solomon Wheeler, Dep. Sheriff, relative to an Extent.

Friday, Oct'o 24th, 1783. To the Treas^{r}. The Honble Nathl Folsom, as Chairman, P. T., certified that the Town of Hollis having made it appear to this Com^{tee} that they had procured one Eli Stiles, over and above the number of Men which have been reckoned to them for their deficiency of Soldiers, and therefore said Town ought to have credit for the said Stiles, and that the

Extent be returned to you, they satisfying the officer for his trouble.

Whereas, the Town of Deerfield did not make a proper return of one William Cushing, by them procured & seasonably mustered, in consequence of which an Extent was issued against them for their deficiency of soldiers; but it now appears to this Com^{tee} that the said Town ought to have credit for said Cushing,

This is, therefore, to desire that the said Extent may be recalled for the deficiency of one man, they paying the Officer for his Trouble.

To the Treas^{r}:

Whereas, it appears to this Com^{tee} that the Town of Ossipee Gore ought to have had credit for one Samuel Lear, but through their negligence was not returned; This is, therefore, to desire that the said Ossipee Gore may have credit for the said Lear, they paying the officer for his Trouble.

Certifyed to the Treas^{r} that the Town of Epping ought to have had credit for one man, who thro' negligence was not returned; therefore desire that they may have credit for one Abraham Matthes, who was mustered on the 25th of Decem^{br}, 1782, as p^{r} Muster Master Return, they satisfying the officer for his trouble; return & another given.

To the Treas^{r}:

Whereas, it appears to this Com^{tee} that the Town of Moultonboro ought to be abated one man by being overtaxed one sixth part in their proportion for the deficiency of men; and whereas, they did not make a Return of one Willm Thomson in season;

This is, therefore, to desire that they may be abated one man, and also that they have credit for the said Willm Thompson over and above the men that they have procured.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay, by discount out of the State Taxes, to John Simes, or Order, Eight pounds two shillings and one penny, being for sundries for the use of the State, as per Account.

Passed and allowed the Pay Roll of Capt. Salter from Jany 1 to 31 July, 1783; also, gave Order for payment.

Saturday, Oct'o 25th, 1783.

Whereas, the Town of New Castle hath made it appear to this

Committee that they ought to have credit for one William Goudy, for whom an Extent hath been issued against them, This is, therefore, to desire that the said Extent may be recalled, they satisfying the officer for his trouble.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Joseph Gilman, Esq., twenty four pounds one shilling, in full for the Use of Room, fire wood, &c., to the 31st Oct^{o}, 1783.

Desired the Treas^{r} to recall the Extent issued against Epping for their deficiency of two Soldiers, viz: Abraham Matthes & Jno White, they satisfying the Officer for his trouble.

Concord, Oct'o 30th, 1783. Whereas, the Town of Lempster hath made it appear to this Com^{tee} that said Town ought to have Credit for one Bethuel Beckwith, This is, therefore, to desire that s^{d} Town of Lempster may have credit for s^{d} Beckwith over and above the men they have procured.

Concord, Nov'r 7th, 1783. directed the Treas^{r} to give Credit to the Town of Keen for two Recruits, viz: Moses M. How & Arkey Temple; to the Town of Washington two Recruits, viz: James Maxwell & David Steel; And to the Towu of Canaan one Recruit by the Name of Jon^{a} Locke. the above recruits were mustered July, 1782, by Benj^{a} Ellis, M. Master.

Friday, the 14th Novem'r, 1783. The Com^{tee} of Safety being met, the State Notes, Certificates & State money then in the hands of the Com^{tee} for settling the late Treasurer's accounts, were burnt in the presence of the Com^{tee} of Safety, agreeably to a Vote of Court of the 8 Nov^{r}, 1783.

Pursuant to a Vote of Court of 7th Nov^{r}, 1783, impowering this Com^{tee} to appoint a Suitable person or persons on behalf of this State to assist Mr Gorham, Commissioner on behalf of the United States, in the Settlement of public accounts, desired Joseph Pearson to attend said busines as opportunity shall offer, untill further order.

Ordered that the Proclamation from Congress for a general Thanksgiving on the second Thursday of December next, be printed and sent to the several worshipping Assemblies in this State.

Saturday, 15*th Nov'r*, 1783.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Nicholas Nicholle five pounds two shillings & six pence, Time and Expences, &c., for Carraige of public papers to Concord.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay John Calfe, Esqr, thirteen shillings & six pence, for paper for the use of s^{d} State.

Friday, *November* 21*st*, 1783.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay, by discount out of the State Taxes, to the Town of Chester, Eight pounds six shillings & eight pence, travel money paid to Ten Soldiers in Capt. Boyes' Company, in the year 1781.

Ordered an Advertisement to be printed in hand Bills; also, in Gazette, for sale of Excise, Conditions of Sale and by whom to be sold.

Thursday, *December* 4*th*, 1783.

The Committee of Safety to whom was referred the Settlement of the Staff Roll of Col^{o} Jacob Gale, whose Regiment was raised & Joined the Continental Army at Rhode Island in August, 1778, Agree & Order, That said Roll be reduced agreeably to the scale of Depreciation, and interest allow'd thereon from the time of the date of s^{d} Roll, which is Novr 4, 1778, to the fourth day of December, 1783, and that Orders issue for the payment thereof as usual.

Saturday, *Dec'r* 6*th*, 1783.

Settled and allowed the Account of Capt. Josiah Gilman for settling Depreciation, examining acco^{ts}, &c., &c., to Decr 6th, amounting to One Hundred & nineteen pounds twelve shillings & ten pence, and an Order was granted for Ninety four pounds twelve shillings & ten pence, being the bal^{ce} due.

Friday, *January* 9*th*, 1784.

Took under consideration sundry matters referred to them by the General Court.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay the Accompt of Capt. Samuel Cherry, amounting to fifty shillings, time & expences taking up Wm Vance, a refugee.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Benj^{a} Bigelow Twenty six pounds

Eight shillings & ten pence half penny, for sundries supply'd the Troops at Piscat^{q} Harbour.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Benj^{a} Bigelow thirty pounds, for which he is to be accountable.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay the Acco^{t} of Nicholas Nicolle, amounting to three pounds fifteen shillings, for time, Expences, &c., for transporting public papers from Exeter to Concord, & back again.

Friday, January 16*th*, 1784.

Ordered the Treasurer to credit the Town of Rochester for one Daniel Sargent, a Soldier, by them procured, (who was claimed by Dover,) the Town of Dover having relinquished their Claim to the s^{d} Sargent, which is certifyed by the Selectmen of s^{d} Dover.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay the Account of Silas Gill, an Invalid, amounting to Sixty nine pounds sixteen shillings & eleven pence, Sundry Doctors' bills, &c., &c.

Saturday, Jan'y 17*th*, 1784. Settled & adjusted the Acc^{ots} of Jonathan Blanchard, Esq., one of a Com^{tee} for prosecuting Counterfeittors of money, and it appears that there is a Balance due to the State, amounting to forty two shillings and four pence, as p^{r} Acco^{t} on file. Also, settled the Acco^{t} of Col^{o} Nathaniel Peabody, one of said Committee, and Ordered the Treasurer to pay said Peabody One Hundred & ten pounds five shillings, Balance due to said Peabody, as appears by his Acco^{t} on file.

Friday, January 23*d*, 1784.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Maj^{r} Joseph Bass One Hundred & forty five pounds eight Shillings & six pence, being the balance of his Account as Clothier & Commissary in 1780.

Friday, Jan'y 30*th*, 1784.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Mr John White Nine pounds seventeen shillings & nine pence, balance in full of his Acco^{t} for Rum, &c., &c.

The Com^{tee} took into consideration the Settlement of Col^{o} Bedel's Acco^{t}.

Adjourned till to-morrow.

Saturday, Jan'y 31*st*, 1784.

Settled the account of Col° Timothy Bedel and Ordered the Treas^r to pay said Bedel the Sum of two hundred and nineteen pounds seventeen shillings & ten pence, being the balance due on said accounts.

Thursday, February 12*th*, 1784.

Ordered the Treas^r, pursuant to an Act of this State of the 21st of March, 1783, Issue a Note carrying Interest from the first day of Feb^y, 1780, in favor of Joseph Blanchard, Esq., for the sum of £65–12–9, being so much due to him from the Estate of Edwd Goldstone Lutwyche, as certified by the Judge of Probate for the County of Hillsborough.

Friday, February 13*th*, 1784.

Ordered the Treas^r to pay Thomas Bickford thirty pounds, as Commissary of Issues and for which he is to be accountable.

Friday, February 20*th*, 1784.

Ordered the Treas^r to pay Col° Saml Folsom six pounds eleven shillings, Expences at the Sale of Excise in January, 1784.

In pursuance of the sixth Article of the definitive Treaty of Peace & friendship between the United States of America and his Britannic Majesty now ratified by Congress,

Directed the Goal keeper to liberate one William Vance, who upon complaint was committed to Goal as an Absentee from Londonderry, in said State, and who in the time of the late War with Great Britain went over to, & joined the Enemies of the united States of America, and hath since returned to said Londonderry without leave first had and obtained from the Genl Assembly of this State, contrary to an Express law of s^d State, passed the 16th, 1778; And that the s^d William Vance is hereby permitted to depart from this State, he paying all expences which may have arisen by his said confinement in Goal.

Thursday, Feb'y 26, 1784.

Col° Geo. Reid returned a blank Brevett for an Ensign, dated 30 March, 1781.

Friday, 27*th Feb'y*, 1784.

directed the Treasurer to receive of Col° Moses Kelly the

money which he hath on hand on account of the Rum Executions issued by Col° Joshua Wentworth, and for which you will please to receipt for accordingly.

The Honble Josiah Bartlett, Esqr, as Chairman of Com^tee of Safety, certified that Col° Moses Kelly has paid into the Treasury of this State, the Sum of thirty one pounds four shillings in Specie, on Account of Executions issued by Col° Joshua Wentworth for deficiencies of Rum, as p^r Receipt signed Nathl Gilman, in behalf of John Taylor Gilman, Esqr, Treas^r, and which Receipt is lodged with the Comptroller of Acco^ts.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Lt Joseph Boynton five pounds six shillings and six pence, being the balance of his Acco^t for time and Expences in inlisting and forwarding Recruits to the Army.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

In Committee of Safety, Exeter, March 6th, 1784.

To Major Morril, SIR:

In settling with the New Hampshire line for their deficiencies of cloathing, You are desired to make stoppages for such cloathing as they have received of this State, to be certified to you by the Board of War of this State.

by Order of Com^ee,

Copy. JOSIAH BARTLETT, *Chairman.*

Friday, March 12th, 1784.

Exam^d and allowed the pay Roll of Lieut. Meshech Bell, amounting to One Hundred and five pounds sixteen shillings, and ordered payment to be made by discount out of the State Taxes.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Col° Samuel Hubbard fifty pounds, towards his Account for making powder, & for which he is to be accountable.

Ordered the Treas^r to Issue Notes in favor of John Lander for twelve pounds, Extra wages in lieu of State Bounty for 12 months Service in 1782. Also, another note for ten pounds two shillings, for 10 months & 3 days Service in 1783.

Ordered the Treas^r to pay Maj^r Jeremiah Fogg One Hundred & two pounds nine shillings and seven pence, Extra pay as Aid de Camp to Genl Poor, from the 2^d July, 1779, to Sept. 8th, 1780.

Thursday, *March* 18*th*, 1784. Met and Ordered the Treasurer to pay Simeon Ladd, Goal keeper, Twelve Pounds, on account of keeping State Prisoners, for which he is to account.

Friday, *March* 19*th*, 1784.

Examined the Returns of the several Towns in this State relative to the Number of Inhabitants, &c.

Thursday, *March* 25*th*, 1784.

Rec'd a Letter from John Langdon, Esq., & others, Merchants at Portsmouth.

April 7*th*, 1784. Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay the Town of Boscawen four pounds six shillings & eight pence, travel money paid to Joseph Hoit, Jeremiah Carter, Nathan Carter & Daniel Shepard, to Springfield in 1781.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay the Parish of Hampton falls for Supplies to the families of Soldiers in the N. H. Line, from 1st Jan^{y}, 1780, to 1st Jan^{y}, 1783, agreeable to an Act of Court, the Sum of One Hundred & eight pounds three shillings & six pence.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Beza Woodward, Esq., Seventy one pounds three shillings and eleven pence, being the Balance due to Lt James Gould's Account for Doctor's Bill.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to receive from John Hubbard, Esq., Three Hundred & One Dollars, of the new Emission, on account of Col^{o} Saml Hunt, which is part of the money which he received of the Treasurer for driving Beef Cattle.

8*th April*, 1784. Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay, by discount out of the Taxes, to the Selectmen of Charlestown, Sixty four pounds Twelve shillings & five pence, Supplies to Soldiers' families from Jany 1st, 1780, to 1st Jan^{y}, 1783.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay the Selectmen of Bow nineteen pounds four shillings, for Beef supply'd Capt. Ebenezer Frye in 1782.

State of New Hampshire, *Exeter*, *April* 9, 1784.

Received a Receipt in the following words, viz:

"*Boston*, *November* 10*th*, 1781.

Received of y^{e} State of New Hampshire by the hands of Col^{o}

Samuel Hunt, Store keeper at Charlestown, N° 4, Three thousand six hundred & ninety nine Dollars and twenty six fortieths of a Dollar, of the new Emission, for the use of the Quarter Master's Department. JABEZ HATCH, *D. Q. M.*"

3699$\frac{26}{40}$ Dollars, New Emission.

Also, another Receipt, viz:

"Treasury Office, New Hampshire, *Exeter*, *April* 9*th*, 1784.

Received of Col° Samuel Hunt (p^r^ John Hubbard, Esq.,) Ninety pounds six shillings, in New Emission, for which Sum I am accountable to the State.

£90–6. J. T. GILMAN, *Treas'r.*"

For which receipts the s^d^ Col° Samuel Hunt is to have credit for in his settlement with s^d^ State.

Copy.

Ordered the Treas^r^ to pay, by discount out of the State Tax for the year eighty Two, to Capt. Tim° Barron, Constable of Haverhill, forty nine pounds eleven shillings & one penny, for supplying Beef in 1782, as p^r^ Col° Johnston's Receipt.

Ordered the Treas^r^ to pay, by discount out of the State Taxes, To the Selectmen of Haverhill, viz: Col° Charles Johnston & Mr James Woodward, who were Selectmen for that year, the Sum of One hundred & Sixty three pounds seventeen shillings, being for Beef supplyed in 1781.

Monday, *April* 19*th*, 1784.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Joshua Young, Issuing Com^sy^, Twenty pounds, towards his account, & for which he is to be accountable.

April 20*th*, 1784. Informed Col° Joseph Cilley by Letter, that Major James Carr has settled his account with the State respecting the payment of paper money to sundry Officers & Soldiers, and has Accounted for 10,800 Dollars which he received from s^d^ Cilley, and on his discharging s^d^ Carr from the same, it will be allowed out of the money which s^d^ Cilley received from Genl Poor, without deducting anything for Depreciation.

Ordered the Treas^r^ to pay John Calfe, Esq., seven pounds six shillings and nine pence, for recording the Journals of the House of Representatives to Dec^r^, 1782.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay Major James Carr forty pounds four shillings, balance of his Account, settled this day.

Ordered the Treasury to receive of the Board of War four thousand Two Hundred & Seventy Two Dollars, in bills of the New Emission, which bills it appears were received by ye Board of War but not expend^{d}, for which Sum he is to be accountable.

The Treasurer's Receipt for the above Sum of four thousand Two Hundred & Seventy two Dollars was received by the hands of Joseph Gilman, Esq.

In pursuance of a Vote of the 16th of April, 1784, The Committee of Safety received of the Treasurer the Sum of One Hundred & Seventeen Thousand Seven Hundred & twenty four Dollars, in Bills of the new Emission, which Sum was receipted for by said Committee, and also saw the same consumed by fire in the presence of the Treasurer, who was appointed by Congress to indorse the s^{d} Bills.

Friday, May 14*th*, 1784.

To Col^{o} Joseph Cilley. Pay by discount with Lieut. James Blanchard, Four Thousand Continental Dollars, of the old Emission, and the same shall be discounted on the Receipt given by you to the late Brigadier General Enoch Poor, dated Feby 12th, 1782, for the Purpose of paying Bounties to Soldiers who should engage to serve during the War. the above Sum shall be allowed you without Depreciation.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Deac^{n} Isaac Williams Three pounds, for which he is to be accountable as Issuing Commissary.

Wrote to Genl Sullivan in answer to his of the 11th May, 1784.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Nicholas Nicolle forty shillings, for his time, Expences & horse, & sundry expresses.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay, by discount out of the State Taxes, to the Selectmen of Springfield, Twenty four shillings for travel money p^{d} Mark Bachelder to Springfield, in 1781.

Tuesday, May 18*th*, 1784. Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay the Honble Francis Blood, Esq., Twelve pounds one shilling and two pence, Ballance due of his Acco^{t} for collecting Beef Cattle, &c., &c., as per Acc^{ot}.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay the Roll for the Presid^{t} & the Honble Council with their Secretary, for travel, Expences, & attendance, for examining the Returns for Senators, agreeably to the New Constitution, amounting to fourteen pounds eighteen shillings & eight pence.

May 20th, 1784.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Isaac Tucker, of Raymond, for Nursing & Doct^{rs} Bill the Sum of four pounds, in full of his Acco^{t}, as on file.

Ordered the Treasurer to pay John Calfe, Esq., seventeen pounds thirteen shillings & nine pence, for recording the proceedings of the General Assembly to Dec^{r}, 1783. Also, to pay Joseph Pearson forty six shillings & nine pence half penny, Money advanced for the use of said State, as per Acco^{t}.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Joseph Gilman, Esq., Nineteen pounds Eleven Shillings, for use of a Room, Furniture, wood, &c., &c., 31 May, 1784.

Friday, May 28th, 1784.

His Hon^{r} the President being absent, the Honble John Dudley, Esqr, was appointed Chairman of Committee of Safety.

Directed the Treas^{r} to receive of Col^{o} Samuel Folsom Sixty four £5 Notes, dated 7 Ap^{l}, 1778, amounting to £320, and 33 Ten pound Notes, dated April 7th, 1778, Amo^{t} £330; Also, Two State Notes, One (N° 3128,) dated July 31, 1782, for fifty pounds, and the other (N° 3454,) dated July 31st, 1782, for Twenty pounds ten shillings, giving him a Receipt for the same.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Col^{o} Saml Folsom Seven pounds seven shillings & seven pence, the bal^{ce} of his Acco^{t} beginning Jan^{y}, 1779, to April, 1783.

Saturday, May 29th, 1784.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Capt Eliphalet Giddinge Three Hundred & twenty nine pounds seventeen shillings & two pence, Bal^{ce} of his Account as Collector of Beef Cattle in 1780, 1781, 1782.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Simeon Ladd, Goal keeper, Three pounds, sixteen shillings & six pence, Bal^{ce} of his Acco^{t} for Boarding Jno Stinson.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay Joseph Pearson Seventy nine pounds Ten shillings, in full of his Acc^{ot} for extra Services from June, 1783, to June, 1784.

Ordered the Board of War to pay Capt. Josiah Gilman eight pounds; Also, Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay said Gilman Sixty two pounds thirteen shillings & six pence, amount of his Acco^{t} from Decr 6th, 1783, to May 29th, 1784.

Ordered the Treas^{r} to pay the Honble Joseph Gilman, Esq., Seventy one pounds four shillings, Ballance of his Acco^{t} for use of a Room for Com^{tee} of Claims, &c., &c., from Dec^{r}, 1776, to May, 1784.

Days of attendance in each month, of Committee of Safety, from June 29th, 1780, *to December* 16, 1780.

	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	
Hon. Meshech Weare,	2	21	19	6	0	3	5	Certified to this time, Tuesday.
Josiah Bartlett,	2	4	15	17	2	7	7	
Eben'r Thompson,	2	19	14	6	2	3	5	
John Dudley,	2	20	19	17	3	7	7	
Josiah Moulton,	2	21	19	17	3	7	7	
John Calfe,	2	16	14	12	3	7	7	
George Gains,	2	11	7	1	0	6	4	
Joseph Pearson, D. Sec'y,	2	21	19	17	3	7	7	

Days attendance in each month, of Committee of Safety, from January 31*st to December* 19, 1781.

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May.	June	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	
Hon. Meshech Weare, Pres.,	1	12	5	—	10	4	12	9	8	5	4	10	Certified.
Josiah Bartlett,	1	12	16	—	10	4	12	8	16	9	5	9	
John Dudley,	1	14	17	—	11	4	12	10	16	10	6	10	
John Calfe,	0	12	16	—	6	4	10	2	16	4	6	10	
John Smith,	0	12	6	—	2	4	12	7	0	10	2	8	
John T. Gilman,	1	14	16	—	11	2	9	10	13	10	2	10	
John McClary, Esqs.,	0	10	17	—	9	4	9	6	16	7	0	0	
Joseph Pearson, D. Sec.,	1	15	16	—	11	4	12	10	15	11	5	9	

Days attendance of Committee of Safety, in each month from January 19 *to December*, 1782.

	M.	Jan'y.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May.	June.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Hon. Meshech Weare, Esq.,	7	5	12	4	7	7	2	16	15	6	3	5	6
Josiah Bartlett,	7	5	8	7	12	14	5	14	17	4	11	3	6
John Dudley,	18	8	9	7	12	14	5	16	16	7	13	4	6
John Calfe,	17	3	10	7	9	8	5	14	17	7	7	7	6
E. Robinson, }									16	7	12	6	6
John T. Gilman, }		4	11	5	12	14	0	10					
John McClary,	25	0	10	7	10	12	4	9	14	7	7	3	6
Phillips White, Esq.,	16	5	10	4	11	13	2	5	10	5	4		
Joseph Pearson, D. Sec.,		8	12	5	12	16	5*	16	17*	7	11	7	6
Maj. George Gains,													4†

* Certified to this time.

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† One day each extra services at Concord, except Maj. Gains.

Days attendance in Committee of Safety, in each month from January 2*d to December* 6, 1783.

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr'l.	May.	June.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
His Honor Meshech Weare, Esq.,	9	4	11	10	4	4	4	6	3	3	4	3
The Hon'ble Josiah Bartlett,	13	3	9	11	2	6	6	8	1	0	3	3
John Dudley, Esq.,	14	1	13	12	5	6	6	9	0	5	6	3
John Calfe,	14	4	10	7	3	6	6	10	2	4	5	3
Nath'l Folsom,	14	1	13	11	4	3	6	10	5	5	3	3
Joseph Pearson, D. S.,	14	4	13	12	5	6	6	10	5	5*	6	3†

* Certified up to this time.

† £18–16–10. Certified to this time.

Days attendance of Committee of Safety from January 8 *to May* 29, 1784.

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April.	May.
Hon. Meshech Weare,	2	11	0	3	7
Josiah Bartlett,	11	8	8	0	4
John Dudley,	12	8	9	5	10
John Calfe,	12	11	0	3	8
Joseph Gilman,	12	11	9	5	10
Joseph Pearson, D. S.,	12	11	8*	5	10†

* £58–5–10. Certified to this time.

† One day added for attending Court, counting votes.

FACTS

RELATING TO THE EARLY

HISTORY OF CHESTER, N. H.,

FROM THE SETTLEMENT IN 1720, UNTIL THE FORMATION OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION IN THE YEAR 1784.

COLLECTED BY CHARLES BELL.

MDCCCLI.

NOTE—By the Editor.

Dr. Charles Bell, the author of the following History of Chester,—his native Town—died in Concord, N. H., of pulmonary consumption, February 29, 1856, aged 22½ years. On the Sabbath after his decease, the Rev. Dr. Bouton, in a funeral discourse, thus spake of him:

"Dr. Charles Bell, son of the late Hon. Samuel Bell, of Chester, dying at the early age of 22½ years, possessed qualities of mind and heart which rendered him a fit model for young men just entering on the stage of social and public life. Naturally of a serene, amiable and obliging temper, he sought to promote the happiness of all who were about him. His mind, of a high order, was improved by study from early childhood. His acquisitions in general knowledge, in literature and science, and more especially in the studies of his profession, distinguished him among the young men of his age, and gave large promise of usefulness, and success in the professional career which he had auspiciously begun.

Though of genial social qualities, gifted in conversation, he yet wasted no time in amusements and festivities which could neither improve his mind nor his heart; rather he looked on such things as unworthy of a being pressed with responsibilities and acting for immortality. Doct. Bell possessed a large religious reverence—respect for all things sacred—for the word of God, the worship of his house, the Sabbath and institutions of religion: on these subjects no levity ever marked his conversation or deportment. At an early age, while a member of Brown University, in Providence, R. I., he was personally the subject of these spiritual influences and exercises that are usual antecedents of a new life; and ever after he seemed to live in the fear and love of God, and to be governed by the principles and precepts of Christianity.

But 'death loves a shining mark!' and it early marked him for its victim! 'The days of his youth were shortened.' That pale, serene, thoughtful, intelligent face we shall see no more! Our hopes of his rising and permanent distinction are blasted! yet he lived not in vain. Subject to pulmonary disease, his death was sudden. His mortal remains were conveyed to his native Town, to be interred among his honored kindred and friends. His spirit, we trust, is associated with 'the spirits of the just made perfect;' while his example lives—worthy of the imitation of all the youth who knew him, or to whom his name and virtues shall become known."

It is a striking proof of the mental activity, capacity and good judgment of the author, that the materials for this History were collected, arranged and composed by him, when he was only eighteen years of age. Yet the history will be found accurate and reliable. It has been submitted to the mature judgment and received the approval of the Hon. SAMUEL D. BELL, of Manchester, N. H., by whose liberality the work is now published.

Concord, June, 1863.

FACTS RELATING TO CHESTER.

1719. In the summer of the year 1719, a Society was formed, principally by inhabitants of Hampton, Haverhill, Newbury and Portsmouth, "for settling the Chestnutt Country," of which the first meeting recorded, and probably the first holden, was in the open forest, within the limits of the present town of Chester, and most likely on Walnut Hill. This meeting was on the 15th of October of the same year.

A petition had already been preferred to the government (Sept. 24th,) by Clement Hughes, praying for the grant of a township, and stating that "sundry persons from the Province of Massachusetts Bay" were about to petition for the same land. Mr. Hughes and his company demanded the preference, "having been at a vast expense of blood and treasure to maintain the same against the enemy." This was the usual reason given why preference should be shown to any particular company. It is very unlikely that any "blood" or "treasure" was expended, at that time, on account of the tract. This petition was not granted, as it did not include the Governor and his Council among the Proprietors. At this meeting it was decided that the Society should not exceed ninety individuals, and this number being then incomplete, such persons were to be admitted as should be thought proper by a committee of seven, chosen each year to assume the management of all the Society's affairs, to call meetings as often as should be thought necessary, and "to act in all other matters that they should think proper for the good of the whole Society."

Ichabod Robie, Jacob Stanyan, Caleb Towle, Joseph Tilton and Michael Whidden, all of Hampton, were chosen to lay out the home lots of 20 acres each, in which all privileges of streams were reserved for the use of the Society. Thomas Leavitt and two others, whose names are unknown, were placed on the land to maintain possession whilst a grant could be obtained.

The second meeting of the Society was holden at Hampton, Dec. 20th.

The difficulties which preceded Lovewell's war had just begun, and at the above meeting it was provided that, in case of a war, before the three years, to which time they proposed to limit the settlement, should expire, the same length of time should be allowed after the conclusion of a peace. The home-lots having been laid out, the Proprietors, to the number of eighty eight, drew their lots respectively, and not long after, the number having been increased, contrary to their first intention, to 127, the remainder drew.

1720. In the following March the Society voted to withdraw the first petition, then pending, and "when there should be a convenient season," to prefer another. This second petition was also drawn up by Clement Hughes, and presented the 24th of May following; it was kept suspended until Aug. 26th, when a grant was made "provided that they did not infringe on, or interfere with, any former grant, possessions, or properties," and a committee of Proprietors appointed to procure the land laid out. This grant conveyed a tract of country comprising 100 sq. miles to the Society.

In return for this favor they voted to present his Excellency, the Governor, with a farm of 500 acres, which was laid out "as near the centre of the town as possible without incommoding their own house lots." Gov. Shute's farm began, at its southern limit, near the house of Elijah Hall, and extended on that road, then known as "Penacook path," as far as where Jacob Chase lives, then it spread towards the Northeast nearly as far as Raymond line.

It does not appear with certainty whether any Indian title was ever possessed by the Society, but it is probable that there was not, or some record would remain of the purchase; among the accounts, however, presented by Mr. Hughes, who acted in the capacity of their Secretary, is charged five shillings "for a copy of an Indian deed."

As a fence had been built, in the first instance, round the Southern part of the tract, but little difficulty was experienced from trespassers; there were, however, certain "Haverhill people"

who were troublesome during the first year of the grant, and Proprietors were hired to "go and oppose them." Several lawsuits grew out of this opposition. Perhaps these were the same individuals who troubled the Londonderry people this same year; they claimed the lands of Nutfield by virtue of an Indian deed of about twenty years standing, from one John, an obscure sachem.

A path had been made from Haverhill, and also from Kingston, at the time the home lots were laid out, and in March, (1720,) it was voted that the former should be made passable for carts at the expense of the Haverhill proprietors. This path passed over Walnut Hill very nearly where the road now goes, and so down into Hall's Village. At the same time the Society voted that the bridge over Exeter river on the Kingston road, should be made passable for carts.

Immediately after the grant (in August, 1720,) of the township, (thenceforth known as *Cheshire*,) the settlement was commenced by 24 individuals, mostly from Hampton and Haverhill. The first settlement was on Walnut Hill and in Hall's Village. These settlers were, by vote of the Society, and to encourage further emigration, allowed ten shillings each, anuually, for the first three years, The names of these 24 are given, with such other particulars as I have been able to gather in relation to them.

They built, at first, loghouses on their respective lots, and it was not until 1732 that a frame house was put up. This was erected by Capt. Samuel Ingalls, and was standing on the spot where he built it, until within a few years. It was occupied by Thomas Niles, and stood where Humphrey Niles now lives. The frame was of hewn white oak, and in a good state of preservation in 1845. The dimensions of the house were about 25 by 40 feet; so that it was called "the great house," for many years after its erection.

Soon afterwards some of the others followed the example, and built framed houses, several of which are now standing.

1721. At a meeting of the proprietors, holden at Hampton, in January of the following year, the first mill privileges, together with ten acres of land on each side of the stream, were granted to Col. Packer, Col. Weare, Caleb Towle and Samuel Ingalls. These privileges were designated as "the upper and lower falls on the *great brook*." The conditions of the grant were, that they

should erect a saw mill or mills at the upper falls, and have the same in condition to cut boards within twelve months, to saw what logs the proprietors would need for their buildings at halves, and to furnish boards to any person desiring them, at the rate of thirty shillings a thousand, delivered at the mill. Thirty shillings of the currency at that time is about two dollars of our money.

This saw mill was built on the spot where the Hazelton saw mill now stands.

The grantees were to give a bond of £50 to the committee that they would perform the conditions of the grant, and in case of the refusal of any one of them to do this, his share was to be offered to some other individual.

The settlement being now fairly commenced, the expediency of establishing a church and a school began to be considered, and it was resolved that as soon as thirty free-holders should be settled, a minister of the gospel should be maintained; as soon as fifty families should be settled, there should be a meeting house built by the whole proprietary. A few days afterwards, it was voted that "whereas the number of proprietors was considerable," "and no provision was yet made for a schoolmaster," the next proprietor who should forfeit his lot, according to the rules of the Society, by not paying his share of the common expenses, it should be appropriated for a school. This resolve appears to have been for some time neglected, and indeed no house was erected for this purpose for more than twenty years from this date.

A vote was also passed to lay out 100 acres of additional land to each full proprietor, which was not carried into effect, and the following year it was voted that they should contain 200 acres. They were not laid out, however, until 1728, when the first half of the division was completed and called "The Old Hundreds." These lots included almost all of the present town of Raymond.

At this time the difficulties with the Indians began to increase, and a war commenced, which induced seven of the twenty-four families of settlers to return to the older towns for safety. The following are their names: Amos Cass, George Pierce, William Daniel, Ephraim Guile, Robert Ford, Rev. Mr. Simms, Nathan Webster. But one person joined the settlement in 1722 and 1723; this was Reuben Sanborn, of Hampton.

1722. The charter of the town being now prepared, it was signed, together with three others, on the 8th of May of the ensuing year, and was the last official act performed by Gov. Shute in New Hampshire.

This charter was given in the name of King George of Great Britain, France and Ireland, defender of the Faith, &c., and granted (with the reservation "as far as in us lies,") a tract, differing considerably in shape and size from the former grant, and containing over 120 square miles. The name conferred by the charter was CHESTER.

1723. The first meeting under this charter was holden March 28, 1723, when after choosing town-officers, consisting of a clerk, three selectmen, three lot-layers, and a constable to collect the rates, the proprietors voted that additional lots of 50 acres each, should be laid out of the common lands. This was done three years afterwards, all meadow land of one acre or more being reserved. The additional lots were laid out principally near the home-lots.

The selectmen were directed to make application to the next Court of Quarter Sessions to have a highway to Kingston. The Selectmen were empowered to eject all trespassers on the land included by the charter, until December, when a committee was chosen expressly for this purpose.

Those proprietors who were in debt were now warned that, unless their full proportions were paid by the 15th of June, their rights would be forfeited.

1724. The first appearance of the hostile Indians in New Hampshire was at Dover, in the spring of this year, where they killed one individual, and took three prisoners. But little injury was experienced from them until the next spring, when they appeared at Oyster River, at Kingston, and on Tuesday, the 2d of June, at Chester, where five of them took prisoners Lieut. Thomas Smith and John Carr, as they were out hunting deer, and carried them about thirty miles to the northward. There they halted—bound their prisoners, and lay down to sleep; the prisoners escaped in the night, and after three days arrived safe at a garrison in Londonderry.

Smith was one of the first settlers, and lived in a house which stood where Capt. Pickett lived. Carr was only about 15 years old at the time of his capture. His home was then, and for many years afterwards, in a log house which stood on the brow of the hill back of the house where John Hall lives. He died Oct. 22, 1783, at the age of 73.

It is said that they were surprised while watching a deer from a large flat rock, lately blasted out, which was on the lane afterwards laid out for a highway, and known as "the Haverhill road;" it is now untravelled, and leads from Josiah Morse's to the Halls' village road. The rock was on the west side of the road, about 80 rods from Morse's house. The Indians never did much mischief in Chester after this.

On the last of March, a meeting of the Society was holden in Chester, at the house of Capt. Samuel Ingalls, and complaints being made that many trees were unlawfully taken from the undivided lands, a committee was appointed to inspect all the timber of the town, and to prosecute any trespassers.

1725. On the 25th of March of the next year, it was voted, (on account probably of the capture of Smith and Carr in 1724,) to appropriate the sum of £20, "to hire two souldiers to guard them four months next ensueing." Where these "souldiers" were stationed, is uncertain. They might have been at Smith's house, where Capt. Pickett lived, or more probably at a garrison which stood on the spot where Cowdry's hut is, and which was the principal garrison in those times.

1726. In December an end was put to the Indian war by a treaty which was ratified the next spring. The news of this peace arriving in Great Britain induced many people to emigrate, and numerous companies from the northern part of Ireland took up their residence in and about Londonderry, which had been settled by previous emigrations from the same vicinity; among these were several families who came to Chester. These emigrants afterwards formed the Presbyterian church in Chester.

There was a mutual dislike between the Irish settlers and the "Yankees." No intermarriage took place between the two parties for many years, and at last, when it did occur, it was deprecated by all as an untoward event. The first mention of "the

poor of the town" occurs this year, and the money forfeited by the unlawful cutting of the proprietor's wood was appropriated to their support. This fine was 40 shillings for every tree.

1727. All the grass growing on the meadows had been esteemed common property, and a regulation was made this year, that if any one should cut his proportion before the last day of July, he should be made to pay to the Selectmen 20 shillings for every day he should so offend, to be appropriated to the support of the poor. The reason of this regulation was, perhaps, to allow the seeds to ripen and fall off before the grass was cut.

1728. The next year the meadows were laid out, in small parcels, to the proprietors. The three-camp-meadow was laid out into twelve rights.

This year the question was agitated whether a meeting house should not be built, and it was decided (by universal consent at least,) that there should be, and at a meeting held Nov. 12th, it was voted that "the stateing ye place for ye meeting house" be left in consideration until the March meeting. According to traditionary accounts, there was considerable debate whether to build it in Hall's village or at the centre, where it now stands. The minister's lot was at the centre, but the graveyard was in Hall's village.

1729. Nothing further was done on this subject until the following March, when it was decided that "ye place called ye centre" should be the place for the meeting house.

At a meeting Oct. 7th, after voting to pay Mr. John Tucke, who had been preaching in Chester, "30 shillings per Sabbath for fourteen Sabbaths last past," Capt. Samuel Ingalls and Ensign Jacob Sargent were appointed a committee "to look out for a suitable orthodox good man," in view of his settlement at Chester. It was voted also that the meeting house should be "fifty foot in length, and thirty-five foot wide, and twenty foot post," "to be furnished completely, both inside and outside, to ye turning of ye key, and set upon the place appointed and before voted." In June of the next year, however, the width of the future meeting house was increased by vote to 38 feet. Dr. Edmund Tappan, of Hampton, Saml Ingalls and Nathan^l Healey, of Chester

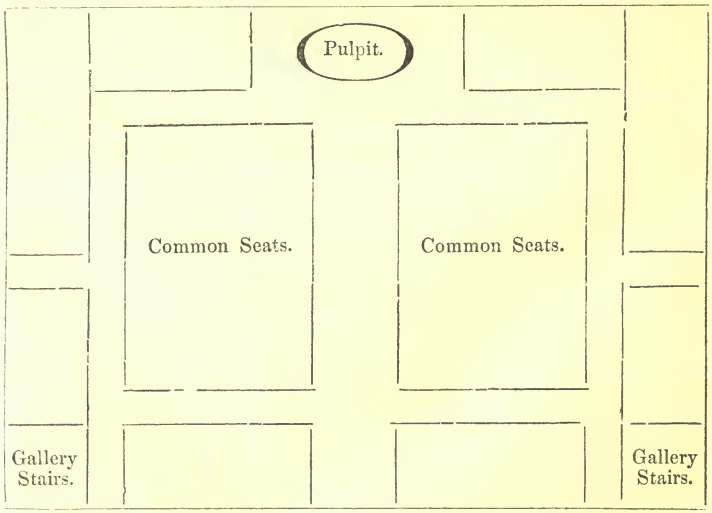
were appointed a committee to agree with the carpenters about its erection, and forty shillings were assessed on each full proprietor towards its completion. It had been voted, in June, that Mr. John Tucke, of Hampton, was "chosen to settle with ye inhabitants of Chester in ye work of ye ministry," and that for five years £120 should be raised, annually, for the support of the ministry, by the proprietors and inhabitants, according to their settlement, and afterwards, as the law directs. Capt. S. Ingalls, Dr. Tappan and Mr. Wilson were to wait on Mr. Tucke, and invite him to the work of the ministry, which they did, and received the following reply:

"To ye propr^s^ of ye town of Chester, this day met at Capt. Wingate's, in Hampton:"

Gentlemen: Whereas you wth ye freeholders of ye town of Chester Did, sometime ago, Invite me to ye work of ye ministry in Chester, now these are to signifie that, for Weighty Reasons, I decline settling there. I wish you a happy settlement in God's good time. This from your Hum^ble^ Servt,

JON. TUCKE.

This letter was dated at Hampton, Oct. 7, 1729.



FIRST CHURCH IN CHESTER BUILT IN 1730-31.
(Plan of the body) 50 feet by 38 in dimensions.
Drawn from B. P. Chase's description.

1730. In January of the following year, Rev. Moses Hale was chosen to settle at Chester in the ministry, and he was to receive from the town treasury £120, current money, ($156,80, or as silver 20s per oz., 133,28. This latter is probably the way it was reckoned,) annually, as long as he remained their minister. A committee was chosen "to treat with him, & to acquaint him with what y^e town hath done, and to invite him into the work of y^e ministery in Chester." They received his answer, which was favorable, and reported to the town.

In relation to his salary it was soon after voted that 20s should be assessed on each full proprietor's share, making in all £127, which might be paid either in money or labor. This at silver 17 sh. pr. ounce—$166,95, (or at 20s per. oz., $141,90.)

In July, a committee was appointed to deliver the minister's lot, joining on Gov. Wentworth's home lot, "with all its divishions and priuelidges" to Rev. Moses Hale, as soon as he should become qualified to receive it, "and in case he shall dew any work, or be at any charge for benefiting said land, and by the Providence of God, shall faile of being a selected minister, and not qualified to reseue s^d lott; in that case whatever Mr. Hale shall have layed out upon it, shall be repaid."

It was this year voted to give encouragement to John Aiken to build a grist-mill at the middle falls of "the great brook." This was the first grist-mill in town, and stood down behind John Hazelton's house. The remains of the dam are still visible. Mr. Aiken lived in a house which stood where Mr. Reed lives.

1731. The Committee for building the meeting house having agreed with Peter and Thomas Cochran, of Londonderry, to build it, they went about it immediately, and by the following March it was so nearly finished that the town meeting was held in it on the 25th.

This meeting house stood a few rods south of the present house, near where the guide post is, and faced the southwest.*

In May, at a meeting of the town, it was voted to raise the sum of £230 towards finishing the meeting house, and £30 for preparations for Mr. Hale's ordination.

On the first of September, a meeting was called expressly to

* *Tradition*—B. P. Chase remembers the house.

take steps in regard to the ordination; and Rev. Mr. Brown, of Haverhill, Rev. Mr. Phillips, and Rev. Mr. Barnard, of Andover, were chosen a committee "to gather and settle a church in Chester, and ordain the Rev. Mr. Hale;" also, Ensign Jacob Sargent, Deac. Ebenezer Dearborn, Enoch Colby, Capt. Samuel Ingalls and Samuel Emerson, Esq., were a committee "to take care for the provision of the ordination." The ordination of Mr. Hale took place October 20th, though no record of it exists on the town books.

Early this year, on petition of several families living near Walnut Hill, a road was laid out from Mr. Emerson's to Mr. Robinson's "for conveniency to go to meeting, and general benefit of the town." This road was two rods wide, and run a short distance further to the eastward than the present road, where a footpath existed before it.

1732. As the settlements extended, the inhabitants began to feel the need of a road to connect the two parishes, consequently in Sept. 1732, it was voted that "a horse or cart path" should be made from the meeting house to the North parish; this was called "Penacook path," and was afterwards laid out into the present highway to Auburn.

1733. A considerable number of the inhabitants of Chester, at the time of Mr. Hale's settlement, were Presbyterians, and more of them continuing to move into town, they became dissatisfied with him; in addition to this, his health was feeble, and he was often unable to discharge his duties as a minister, hence in September, 1733, Lieut. Ebenezer Dearborn, Mr. Nathan Webster, and Capt. Samuel Ingalls were directed "to agree with and hire a minister to preach a quarter of a year" to them. This was probably done, but who was obtained is not known; perhaps it was the Timothy White, who was invited to become their pastor a year or two afterwards. The first mention of a burying place occurs this year, and the spot is specified as containing 18 rods, and situated near "three camp meadow." This was the first burying place in town, and was immediately opposite where the "Copp's house" stands, in Hall's Village, and only two or three rods from the road. The graves were discernable until within twelve or fifteen years; they were marked by round stones

at the head and foot, but none bore inscriptions. The land is now smooth, having been cultivated for several years. About fifteen persons were buried in this place, the last of whom was Jonathan Goodhue, who was accidently killed by the falling of a tree, about the year 1740.

1734. The non-residents objected to paying their proportion of the expenses, and this year Mr. John Calfe was empowered, together with Dr. Rogers, to address the General Court, at the next session, in order to compel them to pay "a penny an acre" for what land they hold, until they shall perform settlement according to the true intent of the charter.

The dissatisfaction of the people towards Mr. Hale increasing, and his health continuing poor, he made certain proposals, Feb. 6th, in relation to resigning his charge; whereupon a meeting was holden, on the first Wednesday of June, at the house of Deac. Dearborn, to consider upon them. It was thought best to agree to them, and (June 27th,) Deac. Dearborn and John Calfe were appointed to wait on the minister, and urge a Council for dissolving the pastoral relation between him and the church in Chester. An ecclesiastical council was accordingly held at Salisbury, on the 13th of August, consisting of the Elders and messengers of all the churches in the neighborhood, which agreed on the following:

"Being regularly assembled by virtue of letters, sent from the church of Chester to the aforesaid churches, to advise and direct the said church of Chester what may be most proper for them to do under their present difficult circumstances, by reason of the Rev. Mr. Moses Hale, their pastor, being wholly disenabled from serving them in the work of the ministry; and having made due inquiry into the case and circumstances of the said minister and people, we find that the said Mr. Hale having done little or no service among them, and being, by the Providence of God, brought under great disorder of body and distraction of mind, and for a time 'berived' of his reason and understanding, and thereby rendered incapable of discharging the work of the ministry among them, and so remaining without any present appearance or prospect of being restored to his ministry; and therefore we judge and determine that it is the wisdom and duty of the church and peo-

ple of Chester to proceed, in regular steps, to call and settle a gospel minister among them, so that they may no longer be destitute of the word and ordinances of Christ; and would also advise and direct the said church and people of Chester that, besides allowing the said Mr. Hale the town right which accrued to him upon settlement, and what also was then given him to encourage his settlement, they should not forget their obligations to be ready to contribute to his support and relief, according to their power and ability. So commending them to the God of Grace and Peace, we subscribe your brethren in Christ,

CALEB CUSHING, *Mod'r.*

JOHN ODLIN, *Scribe.*

In the name and behalf of the Council."

At a meeting holden a day or two after the foregoing, it was voted that the first Wednesday in September should be observed "as a day of fasting and prayer for advice for another minister," and a committee consisting of five individuals was appointed to receive the advice of the ministers in regard to the subject. The determination of the Council was accepted by the Proprietors, and it was voted, that after three Sabbaths from that time, (September 1st,) the pulpit should be supplied three months at the public charge. The names of Thos Smith, John Smith, Robert Mills, Wm. Carswell, Robert Gilchrist, Andrew Craig, Thos Colwell, Alex. Craig, Patrick Melvin, and Robert Boys are entered as protesting against the above vote, declaring themselves "not of that communion, having hired a minister themselves." Hence it appears that the Presbyterian Society was formed this year, and that a minister was already hired—probably Mr. John Wilson, who was the same year ordained by them. Their meetings were of course held at private houses, as they had yet no church.

1735. Mr. Hale being now dismissed, and being creditor for considerable amount of arrears, the town was constrained to apply, in June, by a brief, to the neighboring towns for aid. This was not granted, for in 1740 the arrears were still unpaid, and portions of the undivided lands were sold to discharge the debt.

The question was now discussed who should be chosen for the next minister, and at a meeting holden Nov. 6th, it was voted that the Rev. Timothy White should be the person, and his salary

should be £120 per annum. Deac. Ebenezer Dearborn, Nathan Webster and John Calfe were appointed to acquaint him with his call. Who Mr. White was, does not appear, and he declined the invitation. On this attempt to settle another minister, the Presbyterians, to the number of 31, presented a protest, in the following language:

"*Chester, November ye* 6, 1735.

We, the under-subscribers Proprietors and inhabitants of the town of Chester aforesaid, do enter our protest or dissent against any charges or costs that shall or may arise by calling, settling or ordaining any other minister, in this town, than the minister which we have already called, settled and ordained, viz: the Rev. Mr. John Wilson, according to the rules of the Presbyterian church, particularly the church of Scotland; and we also insist upon the benefit of the proviso made in the act of the Province law relating to the maintenance and supply of the ministers within this province."

Hitherto the business of the town and of the Proprietary had all been transacted at the regular town meetings, but in Oct. of this year, it was voted that the Proprietor's Clerk be empowered to warn meetings for the present, at the request of twenty or more of the Proprietors of the undivided land in Chester, "they setting forth the occasion of the same, and the time when, and where, and for the warning of said meeting it shall be accounted sufficient to have notifications posted up, one at Chester, one at Pourtsmouth, one at Hampton, one at Newbury, and one at Haverhill, at some public place, fourteen days before said meeting, and the present petitioners for every meeting shall be at the charge of setting up the notification of the said meeting."

This year Mr. John Calfe made proposals to build a fulling mill at "Massabesic brook," (now called "Oswego brook,") and his proposals being accepted by the town, he proceeded to build his mill. It stood near where Nathan Griffin now lives, and was torn down about sixty years ago. It went by the name of "the old fulling mill." In May of this year, (1735,) the throat distemper (technically called *Cynanche maligna*,) made its appearance, for the first time, at Kingston. It continued to spread through that town and the neighboring towns, but did not reach

Chester until October.* This disease attacked children principally, of whom twenty-one, under the age of ten years, were carried off, in Chester, within less than nine months; who they were I have been unable to ascertain. The summer of 1735, when the sickness began, was unusually wet and cold, and easterly winds greatly prevailed. More than one thousand persons are estimated to have died in the Province of New Hampshire of this distemper. The physicians of Boston held a consultation in 1736, and published their opinion that it proceeded entirely from "some occult quality in the air." In 1754–5 it made its appearance again, and a third time about 1784, and several individuals suffered from it.

The whole population of Chester at this time was probably not over 300 or 350. This calculation is made from the proportions of the deaths in other towns.

1736. On the 23d of June, 1736, the town voted that Rev. Mr. Ebenezer Flagg should be the minister of the town of Chester, and that he should be paid £120 annually, "as silver at 20 shillings an ounce," during his ministry at Chester. At this meeting still another protest was presented, signed by forty-nine members of the Presbyterian Society, declaring the meeting illegal, and objecting to the settlement of Mr. Flagg. After his settlement, which occurred probably in September, many of them refused payment of taxes for his support, whereupon the collector was ordered to commit the delinquents to jail, which order he carried into effect on the persons of Maj. John Tolford and Deac. James Campbell, and took them to Exeter jail. On their release they commenced an action of false imprisonment, and recovered damages. This led to the act which was passed in 1740 incorporating the two Societies separate.†

1737. The year 1737 is noted for the building of "a log pound, 30 ft. square, six feet high, with a good gate, and a lock and key." The spot where it was to be, was "a little south of John Boyd's house." Probably John Boyd lived in a house which used to stand nearly where Alfred Dearborn's shop is, and which was afterwards occupied by Sampson Underhill. The pound was a little above Mr. Lane's house, and was demolished seventy or eighty years ago.

* Belknap's History of New Hampshire.

† Farmer's N. H. Gaz.

This year the first school was established in Chester by virtue of the following votes, passed April 7th: "Voted, to Rais thirty Pounds to Hier a schoolmaster this present year." "Voted, the Select men shall remove the said scoolmaster to the seurall Parts of the town as shall be conuenant." No account of the master or of where the school was kept can be obtained.

The Cochrans were still the town's creditors for building the meeting house, and the most convenient way was taken, in 1737, to discharge the debt, viz: by sale of public lands.

The lines of the town were now, for the first time "run and perambulated," by Capt. Samuel Ingalls, Jacob Sargent and Samuel Emerson, Esq.; they were paid ten shillings a day, i. e. about seventy-five cts. In August, 1737, Chester was favored with a visit from Gov. Belcher. An account of this tour was published in the papers of the day, and concluded thus: "His Excellency was much pleased with the fine soil of Chester, the extraordinary improvements at Derry, and the mighty fall at Skeag."*

1738. In 1738 the sum of £20, (about $40,) was raised for the support of a school, and £5 "to add to the town's stock of ammunition."

1739. The Presbyterians had hitherto held their meetings in private houses, or in barns, but their number being now considerable, they began to aspire to a church; the subject was introduced at a meeting held April 4, 1739, where it was voted to assess £240 on themselves, "towards building a meeting-house for the Rev. Mr. John Wilson." The house was finished the same year, and stood on a part of one half an acre of land, given to the Society for this purpose and for a burying place, by Mr. Wilson. It was on the west side of the "Haverhill road," and its dimensions were about 35 by 40 feet.† The graves are in a very dilapidated condition. After the death of Mr. Wilson, the church was without a settled minister twenty-four years; it was then removed to the North Parish and rebuilt with considerable additions. It was lately taken down and destroyed, a new one having been built in its stead.

The ill-will between the two Societies had increased to such an

* Belknap's History.

† I have the deed.—C. B.

extent that this year two constables were chosen, one an orthodox, the other a Presbyterian, and also Mr. John McMurphy was empowered "to prefer a petition to the General Court, to obtain an explanation of the Charter." This was the immediate cause of the incorporation of the two societies.

In May a privilege was granted to John McMurphy "to build a grist mill" at 'Massabesic River,' below the 'great fall,' within two years, "provided said McMurphy shall not stop or impede the course of the fish up the said river, but shall and will leave, contrive, and make sufficient passage for that purpose." This mill was on what is now called "Cohass brook," and "Webster's mills" now occupy the same spot. From this and similar provisos, it appears that the alewives, which came up into Massabesic, were one source of support to the settlers.

1740. In April, 1740, the town voted, for the first time, that a school should be maintained throughout the year, "partly by schoolmasters, and partly by schooldames, as the Selectmen shall judge best for the town."

On the imprisonment of Tolford and Campbell, in 1736, a suit was commenced by their Society which resulted finally in a decision in their favor, and the following record appears on the town book: "Whereas at the settling of the Rev. Mr. Ebenezer Flagg in the work of the ministry at Chester, a number of the inhabitants entered their dissents, alleging that they were of a different persuasion, Presbyterians, according to the Kirk of Scotland, and supposed the law freed them from paying, they applied themselves to the General Court where the law was explained in their favor, the Rev. Mr. John Wilson being their minister, and they having paid Mr. Wilson distinct from the rest of the town, separate from Mr. Flagg's hearers; but now it happens that the 5th article inserted in the warning for the present meeting is to settle a salary upon the Rev. Mr. John Wilson, the moderator not thinking this meeting proper for that affair—they insisting to have something done upon it, the rest of the town being first withdrawn from Mr. Wilson's hearers, the moderator addressed himself to them in the following manner: 'If it be your minds that the Rev. Mr. John Wilson, minister of the Presbyterians, should have one hundred pounds money for his salary for the year ensuing, to be paid by

the Presbyterians, his hearers, manifest it by holding up your hands;' 'they that are of the contrary mind, manifest it by the same sign.' Passed in the affirmative, by Mr. Wilson's hearers."

Aug. 7th, the long-wished act was passed incorporating the Societies.

The first Parish meeting of the Orthodox Society was holden Sept. 10th, and adjourned to the 17th, when Benj. Hills, James Varnum and Eliphaz Sanborn were chosen wardens, and Paul Smith, collector. The Congregational church is always specified as "ye old meeting house," in distinction from the new one.

1741. In March, 1741, the proposal was first made to build a school-house; it was to be at "ye centre," but it was not built for some years.

1742. Hitherto the dead had been buried in the burying place, already referred to, at "Three Camp Meadow," but this year the Selectmen were authorized to obtain an acre of land, by exchange, from Jonathan Blunt, "so as to accommodate a decent burying place at the corner of his lot, by the meeting house;" which however was not done for several years, for in 1745, a vote appears again to the same effect; and again 1749, he was paid £60 old tenor for the same piece.

There appears to be considerable uncertainty as to the time of the first burials there; one stone bears the date 1737 without any inscription; another 1744, so it is pretty certain that the place was used, for that purpose, before it was purchased by the town. That part of the present grave-yard next to the main road, is the oldest, and it is said that the west corner of the old burying place is now traversed by the road which turns towards Raymond, and that some of the early graves were outside of the present wall at that part of the yard. The first person buried in this place was Sampson Underhill; he came to Chester from Ipswich, Mass., in 1726 or 7, and lived for a time during the last of his life near where Mr. Quigg lives, and perhaps, too, near where Alfred Dearborn's shop stands. He died probably about the year 1735, and his grave is still remembered; it is near the entrance.

Deac. Campbell, Thomas Wells and Joshua Prescott were appointed a committee to prevent the killing of deer "contrary to

the law in that case made and provided;" afterwards these officers were regularly chosen by the town, and called "Deer inspectors."

1743. In March, 1743, the following vote was passed: "Whosoever shall kill a full grown woulfe in this town, shall have twenty shillings Paid him by the town, old tennour, and ten shilling for a woulfe's whelp." This law was reënacted from year to year, and under it bounties were paid to the following persons: To John Robie, for a wolf's head, (1746,) to Daniel McNeal, for ditto, (1747,) John Senter, ditto, (1748,) John Stark, (afterwards Maj. Gen.) ditto, (1749,) Ithamer Berry, for nine wolf's whelps, (1750,) Ithamer Berry, for ditto, (1751,) Ellet Berry, for wolf's head, (1753,) Abraham Berry, ditto, (1754,) John Webster, Joseph Richardson, Sam[l] Hill and Amos Emerson, each for ditto, (1765.) Many other wolves were doubtless killed besides these; they must have been quite common at that time.

The Parish passed a vote in April, that the "three windows in the gallery over each door, and the two long windows on the backside" of the meeting house should "be wholly taken out, and done up with boards and clapboards," also, "if any person had a pew in the meeting house and there was no window against it, he have liberty to make one, he maintaining the same."

Mr. Flagg's salary was paid this year by £30 bills of credit, old tenor.

1744. January 24th, 1744, at a meeting holden, it appears, expressly for the purpose, Mr. Benjamin Hills was chosen "to represent the town in General Assembly;" accordingly he made a journey to Portsmouth for that purpose, but was refused admittance, as the town had not petitioned for leave to send a representative. He returned home, and the following vote, passed two years afterwards, forms the sequel of the story. "Put to vote whether to allow Mr. Benj. Hills anything for his journey to Pourtsmouth in order to represent the town in General Assembly." "Passed in the *Negative*."

1745. March 29th, 1745, the town voted "to build school housen," and a committee was appointed "to divide the town into several parts in order to accommodate them." This they did, and

made, it appears, four districts of it, which are now pretty nearly represented (1) by the "centre" district. The first school house in this district was built a little south of Richard Morse's shop. (2.) In the "Webster district" the first school house was near the Southern corner of John Sanborn's field, opposite Mr. Webster's house; it is said by persons now living who remember it in '75, that it was about twelve feet square. (3.) In the "Walnut Hill district" the first school house was not very far from opposite Wm. Hazelton's house, though somewhat further to the Northward. (4.) The other school house was in that part of the town called "Long meadows," and was probably not far from where the present school house is. These were all built in 1745.

(This year the French war broke out, and soon after, one Bunten was shot by the Indians, near where "Head's tavern" is, in Hooksett. He was a Pelham man, and was on his way to Penacook.)

There were several families of Penacook Indians who resided within the limits of Chester; ten or twelve of them made their home on the large island in the west bay of Massabesic Pond. The vestiges of their wigwams are very evident at the present day. They lived near the west shore of the island, and the places of their tents are denoted by round cavities, perhaps twenty feet across, and two feet deep. The island is overgrown with a heavy growth of wood; others lived on what is called "the island," in Three Camp Meadow, which took its name from this circumstance; a few more lived on "Clark's meadow" near where Couch's saw-mill stands, and others still in Raymond. They were very harmless people, and friendly to the settlers.

1746. In 1746, Mr. Flagg's salary had increased, as it appears, to £240, old tenor.

1747. In 1747, Maj John Tolford and Capt. Thomas Wells were empowered by the town to prefer a petition to the Governor and Council, "in order to stop and save any man from being sent out of the town into the service; and further, when there may be a convenient opportunity, regularly to proceed to have a suitable number of men put and kept in the service in our town." The petition was not granted, and Majors Rogers and Stark aug-

mented the number of their "rangers" considerably, by additions from Chester. The only persons who served in this war that I have been able to ascertain were Capt. David Webster, and two sons of Samuel Emerson, one of whom died at Crown point, the other at Albany.*

Among the curious entries on the town accounts, is charged as follows: "Unto William Turner, for making ye stocks, £3." It was customary to have the stocks stand near the meeting house, and this was probably the case with ours.

1748. There was considerable dissatisfaction in regard to the schools, and in 1748 Thomas Wells and several others presented a petition to the town, praying that a committee might be appointed to petition the Quarter or General Sessions for their aid and assistance, "for the better regulation of schooling." At a special meeting holden Sept. 1, it was voted that the prayer of the petition be heard, and accordingly the Sessions were requested to regulate these affairs.

An attempt had been made once or twice since Mr. Hills' unsuccessful journey to Portsmouth, to petition for liberty to send a representative, but the town appears to have been so offended and disgusted at the proceedings of the Assembly in regard to Mr. Hills, that it invariably refused to petition; but this year the Sheriff of the Province sent a warrant, commanding them to "elect and choose" one man to represent the town in General Assembly. A meeting was accordingly holden Dec. 2d, and Capt. Abel Morse was chosen for this purpose.

1749. In 1749, Mr. Flagg acknowledges the receipt of £355, in full for his salary that year, and in the latter part of the same year, at the request of thirteen parishioners, a parish meeting was called "to consider whether Mr. Flagg shall have fifteen or twenty cord of merchantable firewood, or money sufficient to purchase the same, during the whole time he carries on in the ministry." It was voted that he should, though once or twice before it had been decided differently.

In 1749 the French war ended, and the inhabitants of Chester, as well as of other towns, felt considerable relief. Several garri-

* N. H. Hist. Coll.

sons had been maintained, which were as follows: one near where Joseph Webster lives, of which the owner's name is lost; one on the spot where Cowdry's hut is, said to have been kept by Francis Towle; one where Capt. Pickett's house is, kept by Lt. Thomas Smith; the Tolford house, still standing on Walnut Hill, was kept as a garrison by Maj. John Tolford; one near where Melvin's store stands. There are several other buildings now standing, which are said to have been used for garrisons, but it is not likely that they were so numerous as the addition of these to the list would make appear. They are the following: the house where Frank Morse lives in Hall's Village, or one which stood on the same spot; the house occupied by Asa Wilson, said to have been used as a garrison in his grandfather's time; the house where Abel Morse lived, now used as a shed by Mr. Couch. These may all have been used as garrisons for a short time, but were not considered as such.

1750. After the close of the war they were all relinquished.

1751. In March the town voted to set off a parish "taking in the land not incorporated into a township by Amoskeag" and a part of Londonderry. In the following September, this with other tracts was incorporated as Derryfield, which name it sustained until 1810, when it was changed to Manchester.

1752. The small pox broke out in town in the spring of 1752, in the family of Thomas Grier; the expenses of the sickness were discharged by the town.

1753. The Presbyterians of Chester had settled mostly in the extreme southern part of the town, and in the North parish; hence it became necessary for their convenience to divide the Society, and Mr. Wilson preached alternately two weeks at home, and the third at the North Parish; but in March of the next year it was proposed to divide it again for some reason, which called forth a remonstrance, signed by seventeen individuals, asserting that "if the Parish was divided a second time it would ruin it." It was not however done.

1754. In September of the following year a meeting was called to see whether the Parish would "consider the Rev. Mr.

Flagg and make him an addition to his stated salary," which was not permitted.

1755. The same proposition was urged the next year with the same result.

This year (1755,) Sam[l] Emerson, Esq., was chosen representative.

1758. By 1758 the town had grown quite liberal in regard to schooling, the amount raised being £600, from which nine schools were kept, three of them by "school-dames."

"One good and lawful man" was chosen "to serve as grand juror at his Majesty's superior court of Judicature to be holden at Pourtsmouth." It was not for some time after this time that town officers were allowed any pay for their services.

1762. In March, 1762, the present town of Candia was set off as a distinct Parish, and in December of the ensuing year incorporated under its present name. The name of *Candia* was given to it by Gov. Wentworth, who was once a prisoner on an island of the same name in the Mediterranean Sea.

The first settler in Candia was William Turner, who moved there in 1748; he was there alone until 1755, when John Sargent and several others joined him.

1763. January 12, 1763, Freetown was set off, and in May, 1765, incorporated by the name of *Raymond;* an unsuccessful attempt at this had been made in 1761.

A curious vote is recorded this year, but which, it appears, was never carried into effect, viz: "Voted that a workhouse be built, or provided by the selectmen, to put and keep those persons in, that (are) idle, poor, disorderly, and lazy, and will not work, and to provide a master to take care of all such persons as shall be committed to said house, that they may be kept to work, and be proceeded with as the law directs." No mention is made of this, afterwards, in this connection, in the town books. It was probably the first poor house maintained by the town, and if so, was *procured* instead of *built*, i. e., the poor were bid off to the lowest bidder.

1767. By the estimate made in 1767, and which is probably nearly correct, the population of Chester was 1189—that of the State being 52,700.

1768. In 1768 the town sustained a diminution of numbers by the emigration of several families to the town afterwards incorporated as New Chester, from the fact that most of the first settlers were from Chester. It is now Hill. The town was granted Sept. 14, 1753, to eighty-seven proprietors, who held their first meeting at Chester.

At this time the wages for labor on the highways was regulated by vote, and was two shillings a day for a man, and the same for oxen.

1772. In the spring of 1772 the proposal was made to the Parish to build a new meeting house, and (March 25,) it was voted to build one within two years from that date, "sixty feet long, and forty five ft. wide, and a suitable height." This house was built about fifteen rods North of the old one, on the same spot that the present one now occupies.

1774. It was finished early in 1774, and the first meeting was holden in it on the 18th of May. The town meeting of March 31st was in the old meeting house, which was soon afterwards taken down, and now no traces remain of the place where it stood. The new building still stands, though almost entirely remodeled. About this time the first open opposition was made to the measures of Great Britain. In May the House of Representatives, conformably to the proceedings of the Assemblies in the other colonies, appointed a committee of correspondence, whereupon the Governor dissolved the Assembly, hoping to dissolve the committee also. But they met again, and wrote letters to all the towns in the Province, requesting them to send deputies to hold a convention at Exeter, to choose delegates to a General Congress. The meeting for this purpose was holden in Chester, July 19th, when John Webster, Esq., and Capt. Robert Wilson were "chosen and empowered to meet at Exeter the 21st of this instant, July, at 10 of the clock in forenoon, to join in the choice of delegates for the General Congress, to be holden at Philadelphia, the first day of Sept. next, to devise and consider what

measures will be most advisable to be taken, in order to effect the desired end, for the establishment of our rights and liberties on a just and settled foundation, and for the restoring of union and harmony between the mother country and the colonies, and to contribute our proportion of the expenses of sending; that the same may be raised by subscription or otherwise, and if convenient sent by the persons of our town appointed to go to Exeter. Our proportion is £5–18s, lawful money." This money was raised by a rate on the inhabitants.

Eighty five deputies met at Exeter, and delegated two of their number to attend the proposed General Congress.

1775. In January, 1775, in accordance with the recommendation of the provincial committee of Nov. 4, John Webster, Esq., Capt. Robt Wilson, Capt. Saml Robie, Deac. Matthew Forsaith, Major French and Robert Calfe were chosen as deputies to meet at Exeter again on the 25th, for choice of delegates to the Congress of May 10th.

At the same meeting, Capt. Dearborn, Amos Emerson, Wm. White, Jacob Chase, Jno. Patten, Simon Bailey, Pearson Richardson, Jethro Colby, Dr. Jno. Ordway, Josiah Bradley, Robert Calfe, Lt. Hoit, Jno. Hazelton, Capt. Wilson, Capt. Robie, Deac. Forsaith, Stephen Morrill, John S. Dearborn, Abner Hills, Samuel Brown, Wm. Shirley, and Jno. Lane, Jr., Jacob Hills, Thos Shirley and Isaac Towle were appointed a committee of inspection "to see that the agreement of the American Continental Congress shall be strictly adhered to."

(April 13.) It was "voted to give encouragement to a number of men that will hold themselves in readiness, if called for by the town, to go against any enemy that shall presume to invade us or our property;" it was hence voted to raise "50 good effective able-bodied men into the town service" for that end. These men were to have "six Spanish milled dollars, or equal thereunto," per month, and be found in provision as long as they were in the town's service. They furnished their own guns, which were apprized before they marched by Capt. Samuel Robie, the muster master, so that if any were lost the town might pay for them. Each man was obliged to show "one pound of powder, twenty bullets, and a quantity of flints." This company was enlisted by

the Selectmen, and chose its own officers. The number was reduced by a subsequent vote to thirty. About this time the battles of Lexington and Concord occurred, and twenty-four of the minute men marched immediately to these towns to contribute their aid.

(May 17.) A third Congress was convened at Exeter, usually designated as the "first provincial Congress." Stephen Morse was the delegate from Chester. This year considerable was said about maintaining a grammar school, but so much opposition was experienced that it was, at length, relinquished.

Another Congress was holden at Exeter for the formation of a temporary government, the 21st of Dec., at which Stephen Morse and Capt. Robert Wilson attended from this town. Their instructions were as follows: that "in case there shall be a recommendation from the Continental Congress that this colony assume government in any particular form, which will require a House of Representatives, that they resolve themselves into such a House as the Continental Congress shall recommend; and no person shall be allowed a seat in Congress who shall, by himself, or any other person for him, before said choice, treat with liquor, any electors with an apparent view of gaining their votes; or afterwards, on that account."

The officers of this temporary constitution were twelve persons, called the Council, of whom seven composed a quorum, in addition to the House of Representatives. No act was valid unless passed by both branches of the Legislature.

1776. In the spring of the next year thirty men were enlisted to help reinforce the army under Gen. Sullivan; they were allowed $13,66 each, as a bounty over and above what the county paid.

1777. In March, 1777, Lt. Samuel Hazelton, Dea. Matthew Forsaith, Henry Moore, Esq., Capt. Samuel Robie, Jethro Colby, Isaac Blaisdell, and Nathan Morse were chosen a committee of safety. In August the battle of Bennington took place, in which were several individuals from Chester, one of whom, Lt. Elliott, was severely wounded by a ball from the gun of an Indian, concealed behind the roots of a prostrate tree.

1778. The small pox appeared in Chester again in 1778, in the family Dr. Page. He contracted the disease at the hospital in Exeter. The town purchased a shop of Nathaniel Blaisdell and removed it into the parsonage, where the family remained until the selectmen judged it expedient for them to return to their home again. Two of his children died and were buried in the parsonage.

This year a singing school was kept at Col. Webster's by Mr. Kimball, of Bradford. He afterwards married Col. Webster's daughter.

At a town-meeting, Feb. 6, 1778, the articles of confederation were read and approved, and the representatives were instructed to propose that the Assembly and Council might form a plan of government for the State, and send it to the several towns and parishes for their acceptance. In May, Samuel Emerson, Esq., was chosen to meet in Convention at Concord, as a delegate, to form and lay a permanent plan or system of government "for the future happiness and well-being of the good people of this State." A system of government was accordingly drawn up and sent to the towns, but was rejected on account of the inadequacy of its provisions.

1779. The families of those who entered the service for three years or longer, were maintained, or at least aided, by the town, as appears by a vote to that effect, and by the returns of the town expenses. This year the burying place, by vote, was fenced anew "with good posts and boards in the reasonablest and best manner," but the vote was afterwards modified so as to have "a good stone wall" on the front side. This wall is there yet. In August, Portsmouth, Exeter, and other town united in recommending to the smaller towns to aid in reducing the prices of the necessaries of life; a meeting was holden at Chester and they signified their approbation of the measure. In accordance with this design a convention was holden at Concord, Sept. 22, to which Jacob Chase was delegated from this town. They passed a series of resolutions which had little or no effect. A committee was chosen, however, in Chester, to see that the prices were observed, and if any person did not comply with them, but should sell any article for more than the established price, he should forfeit the

value of the article so sold, and on his refusal to pay that sum, they were instructed "to advertize him in the public prints as inimical to his country."

1780. In 1780, the sum of £1200 ($155.00,) was raised for schooling.

The men enlisted this year were paid in corn, at 30 bushels a month, raised by a corn rate on the inhabitants.

1781. In the spring of 1781, Chester was ordered by the General Court to deliver up its share of beef, 9206 pounds, for the use of the army; this was also raised by a rate on the inhabitants, the town being divided into classes. There was considerable difficulty in collecting this beef; they probably wanted it to eat themselves. More men were required for the service, and the town was divided into districts by the selectmen, each of which was obliged to hire one soldier, "and if any district, or person in any district should refuse or neglect to pay the required proportion, he or they should be assessed double, and be compelled to pay it." No money was raised for schools this year.

1782. The convention for framing the constitution still continued to discuss different systems, and in September sent out a second plan to which the towns were requested distinctly to state their objections, and return them at a fixed time. Accordingly at a meeting, Jan. 1, 1782, the plan was read, and Anthony Stickney, Dea. Forsaith, Col. Webster, Jacob Chase, Esq., Stephen Morse, Lt. Jabez Hoit, Maj. Henry Moore, Isaac Blaisdell and Maj. William White were chosen "to take it under consideration and make any remarks upon the particular articles therein contained that are not agreeable to their thoughts and sentiments, and make return to the meeting at the adjournment," a week from that day. The committee reported their objections and it was rejected by an universal vote, 149 voters being present. Six more persons were added to the committee of amendment, viz: Lieut. Sam[l] Hazelton, Joseph Lynn, Joseph Blanchard, Capt. Benj. Currier, Samuel Emerson, Esq., and Rev. Ebenezer Flagg. The objections of the towns were so many that it was necessary to send out still another plan, in which the mode of representation was changed—every incorporated township containing one hundred and fifty

rateable polls, having the privilege of sending one representative. This plan was generally approved by the towns, although Chester still rejected it.

1783. In April, 1783, the State voted to revive and continue the old form of government until June 10, 1784, when the new form should be adopted. This was done, the new system being introduced at Concord by religious ceremonies, which have been since repeated at each annual election.

The schooling was left with the selectmen this year "to do as they shall judge right and just," but they declined acting, and nothing was done.

In April the town was classed a second time to procure seventeen men for the service.

1784. This year the war was ended, and in March, 1784, the first President of New Hampshire was chosen. Meshech Weare was the choice of Chester, with but one dissenting vote; this was for Jno. Sullivan. $200,00 was raised for schooling this year.

FINIS.

Some idea of the character of the early settlers of Chester may be gathered from the following extracts; most of the settlers were from Hampton and Londonderry.

"The first settlers of Hampton were puritans, many of them from Norfolk, one of the strongholds of Puritanism. The motives by which they were influenced in coming to this country were similar to those which influenced the Prilgrims who came over in the Mayflower."

"The settlers of Londonderry were a peculiarly industrious and frugal yet public spirited people, and proved a valuable acquisition to the Province into which they had removed, contributing very considerably to its benefit by their arts and their industry."

NOTICES OF SEVERAL OF THE EARLY INHABITANTS OF CHESTER.

Clergymen.

Rev. JOHN TUCKE

Was the son of John Tucke, and great grandson of Robt Tucke, who emigrated from Suffolk, in England, about 1636, and was one of the first settlers of Hampton, where Rev. John Tucke was born in 1702, Aug. 23d. He graduated at Harvard in 1723, and the next year married Mary Dole, of Hampton. He received a call to settle at Chester, as was seen, in 1729, which he declined, and in July, 1732, he was ordained at Gosport, where he received a settlement of £50, and an annual salary of £110, until 1754, when he was paid in fish at a quintal pr. man, making eighty or one hundred quintals, worth a guinea each. He continued in the ministry there until his death, Aug. 12, 1773. His tombstone at Gosport says:

"He was affable and polite in his manners,
amiable in his disposition,
of great piety and Integrity,
given to hospitality."

Rev. MOSES HALE

Was the youngest of eleven children of Capt. Thomas and Sarah Hale, of Newbury, Mass., where he was born in 1703. For some reason his name is not recorded on the town books of Newbury, so the exact date of his birth cannot be ascertained.

Mr. Moses Hale graduated at Harvard College in 1722, studied divinity, and in 1730 accepted an invitation from the church of Chester to become their pastor. He was ordained Oct. 20th, 1731, by Rev. Mr. Brown of Haverhill, and Rev. Mr. Phillips and Barnard, of Andover, and continued to discharge the duties of his office until the summer of 1733, when his health became poor.

Rev. JOHN WILSON

Was born in Ulster County, in Ireland, in 1709. He entered the

University of Edinburgh, where it would appear he was in 1726. His love of the classics, however, was not enthusiastic, to judge from some notes in his Latin school books which are still in existence. He came to this country in 1729, and was ordained over the Presbyterian Church of Chester in 1734. His church was then very limited in numbers. He continued in the ministry at Chester until his decease Feb. 1, 1779. Mr. Wilson's custom was to choose some book of the Bible and deliver lectures on it in course, touching on all the principal points alluded to in the different chapters and verses—many of these display considerable ingenuity in their preparation.

Mr. Wilson lies buried in the Presbyterian graveyard, together with his wife, Jean, who died April 1, 1752, a. 36. His character is thus described: "He was a servant of Christ in the most peculiar and sacred relation, both in doctrine and life. It was his great delight to preach a crucified Christ as our wisdom, righteous, sanctification and redemption. He did not entertain his hearers with curiosities, but with real spiritual good; his sermons were clear, solid, affectionate. A spirit of vital christianity ran through them. His life was suitable to his holy profession. He was a steady friend, a loving husband, a tender parent. His inward grace was visible in a conversation becoming the gospel."

Mr. Wilson had an only daughter, Ann, who married William Mills.

Rev. EBENEZER FLAGG

Was born in 1704, at Woburn, Mass. He graduated at Harvard in 1725, and in June, 1736, he was invited to become the minister of Chester, with an annual salary of £120, "as silver at 20 shillings an ounce," equal to $133,28. Mr. Flagg's ordination took place in Sept. 1736.

He was married to Lucretia Keyes, Nov. 15, 1739. She died March 30, 1764, at the age of forty. Mr. Flagg had a large family of children. He lived where Mrs. Persis Bell now lives. In personal appearance he was of medium stature and rather inclined to be fleshy. He was noted for a pleasant and cheerful disposition. An anecdote used to be related of his perseverance in making the acquaintance of "Parson Wilson," who was reputed rather taciturn and unsociable, and did not encourage his advances much.

Mr. Flagg continued in the ministry at Chester until his death, Nov. 14, 1796. At the time of his decease he had attained the greatest age of any minister in the State, with the exception of Mr. Adams, of Newington.

For some years previous to the Revolution, the Governor of New Hampshire appointed by the crown, was authorized to grant licences for marriages, as a means of augmenting his salary, which was in those days small. He was allowed two crowns for each license. Rev. Mr. Flagg, of Chester, approved of this mode of marrying, and hence clandestine matches were usually known in the adjoining towns as "Flagg marriages." (Parker's Hist. of Londonderry.)

The following notice of Mr. Flagg's death is taken from the "Columbian Sentinel," of Nov. 26, 1796:

"Died, at Chester, N. H., 14th ult., the Rev. Ebenezer Flagg, æt. 93. He continued in the ministerial office during the unusual period of sixty years, and what is observable he survived every parishioner who was active at his settlement. In the characteristic traits of the deceased, are examples worthy to be recommended by a most engaging assemblage of public, domestic and social virtues."

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Capt. SAMUEL INGALLS

Was the son of Samuel and Sarah Ingalls, and was born at Andover, Mass., May 7, 1683. He removed to Haverhill, where he married Mary Watts, in 1708. In 1720 he was one of the proprietors of Chester, where he removed in the fall of the same year. He was one of the grantees of the first saw-mill in town; was lot-layer many years, and selectman almost continually from 1723 to 1733. He was the first militia captain of Chester. He first built a log cabin on Walnut Hill, about twenty rods north of Humphrey Niles' house, where he lived until 1732, when he built the first framed house on the spot where Mr. Niles now lives. Mr. Ingalls died Oct. 6, 1747, a. 64. His children were as follows:

1. Elizabeth, b. Sept. 8, 1709, probably m. Jacob Wells, of Chester.
2. Sarah, b. Oct. 27, 1710, probably died unmarried at Candia.
3. Samuel, b. Sept. 15, 1712, m.
4. Mary, b. Nov. 27, 1714, m. Jno. Hazelton in 1739.

5. Ruth, b. Jan. 31, 1717–18, m. Ephraim Hazelton in 1735.

6. Timothy, b. Apr. 24, 1720, married and had two daughters.

7. Mehitabel, b. abt. 1723, was the first white child born in Chester, m. Dr. Samuel Moores, in 1750.

8. Abigail, b. about 1725, m. Stephen Morse.

9. Nathaniel, b. Dec. 12, 1727, m. Abigail Huse; he lived in Hampstead, and died abt. 1790.

Lieut. THOS. SMITH

Was born in Ireland, and came to Chester from Hampton in 1720; he lived on or near the spot where Mr. Pickett's house stands, where he had built a block-house of hewn timber. This house was taken down about eighty years ago. In 1724 he was captured by the Indians. He served under the town in various capacities for several years, and, about 1735, removed to New Boston. He had a family.

Maj. JOHN TOLFORD

Was born at Megilligan, about fifteen miles from Londonderry, in Ireland, in July, 1701, and came to America in 1724. He married Jane McMurphy, of Londonderry, Jan. 8, 1734. He probably removed from Londonderry to Chester in 1727. In 1736 he was committed to jail in Exeter for refusal of payment of taxes for Mr. Flagg's support. Maj. Tolford was a justice of the peace and selectman for many years; he was a man of more than ordinary talent; he had nine children, three of whom were sons.

1. Joshua, moved to Alexandria and had a family.

2. Hugh, b. Dec. 31, 1748, moved to Bedford, where he m. Elizabeth Patten in May, 1783; had four children.

3. John, lived in Danbury, N. H., and had a family.

Maj. Tolford died in July 1791, aged 90 years.

WM. WHITE

Was born in England in 1689; his father was a glover, and removed about 1690 to Derry, in Ireland, where he was wounded in the siege. Wm. White came to this country and settled in Londonderry. He was a linen-weaver. He removed to Chester and purchased the farm now occupied by Joseph Webster in 1732. (?) He built a house on the opposite side of the road from Webster's house. He married in Ireland, but his wife died be-

fore he came to America; she had two sons and a daughter. In 1733 he married Jane Graham, of Chester, and had five children. She d. in 1755, a. 45. His son

WM. WHITE, Esq.,

Was born in Chester, March 4, 1740, O. S. He m. Mary, dau. of Robt. and Jane Mills, Jan. 24, 1764, and Elizabeth Mitchel, Sept. 17, 1782. He had in all sixteen children—too numerous to mention, (*vide* town books.) In 1777 Mr. White was appointed Major, in 1784, Lt. Col.; he was long a Justice of the Peace. Col. White was one of the principal Presbyterians, and died about 1830.

SAMPSON UNDERHILL

Was born in England, and emigrated to Ipswich, Mass. He set up his trade of a clothier there in 1626 or 7. He removed to Chester, and settled near where Mr. Quigg lives; married an Ambrose, and had three sons, 1. John, afterwards a Capt.; 2. Hezekiah; 3. Moses. He died about 1735, and was the first person buried in the present graveyard. He is the progenitor of all the Underhills in Chester.

JOHN CARR

Was born in 1709, and came to Chester in 1724, probably with his father. He married Elizabeth Patten, (d. Sept. 2, 1781, a. 76.) In 1724 he was taken by the Indians, together with Lieut. Smith. He belonged to the Presbyterian parish. His children, 1. John, who moved to Candia; 2. Mary, b. 1733, d. May 20th, 1774; 3. Mark, b. 1744, m. Elizabeth Gilchrist, had 2 children, Samuel, d. 1850, ——— m. a Webster; he d. July 20th, 1782; 4. Joseph, m. Sarah Gilchrist, d. July 3d, 1783; 5. Martha, b. 1754, d. 1773. John Carr d. October 22d, 1782, at the age of 73.

BRADBURY CARR

Was probably the brother of the preceding; he removed to Chester about 1724; married Anna ———, and had four ch. 1. Joseph, (b. Nov. 20, 1742,) m. Hannah Ayer; had four ch.; (1) Hannah Ayer, (b. 1765,) (2) Joseph, (b. 1767,) had a family and now lives in Chester; (3) Anna, (b. 1770,) (4) Bradbury M. (b. 1773,) m. Susan Hall in 1793, d. at Concord, a soldier, of

spotted fever, in 1813; 2. Molly, (b. Feb. 26, 1747,) 3. Parker, (b. May 29, 1750,) 4. Judith, (May 28, 1752.)

SAMUEL EMERSON, Esq.

Was born at Haverhill in 1708, and removed to Chester in 1727 or 28. He built a house on the spot where his son afterwards lived. He was one of the principal lot-layers; in 1731 he was appointed the first Justice of the Peace of Chester. The same year he was chosen Proprietor's Clerk, which office he retained over fifty years. He was married twice; to Sarah Ayer, of Haverhill, Feb. 15, 1733. They were admitted to the church in Chester, Feb. 8, 1741. She d. Nov. 19, 1751. Nov. 26, 1754, he m. Mrs. Dorothy Dearborn. Mr. Emerson had fifteen children, of whom several died young; he d. Sept. 26, 1793. His wife d. March 25, 1804.

Capt. JOHN EMERSON,

Son of the above, was, for many years, a leading man in Chester, as was his father. They were both members of the Orthodox church. Mr. Emerson was for many years Proprietor's clerk. He married Elizabeth French, of Sandown, and had several children; he died within a few years.

JONATHAN GOODHUE

Removed to Chester from Haverhill about 1725; was constable in 1727. In April, 1728, he m. Elizabeth Powell, and they had two ch. 1. Elizabeth, b. March 16, 1729, m. Joseph Basford. 2. Mary, b. May 2, 1730. He lived where Col. Clay now lives. About 1744, he was accidentally killed by the fall of a tree, and was the last person buried in Hall's Village. He was a tall man with red hair, from which latter circumstance his body was several years afterwards disinterred by somebody, who believed that a lock of red hair from a dead man's head, judiciously applied, with certain heathenish ceremonies, was a sovereign remedy for fits.

JOHN AIKEN

Was born in Ulster Co., in Ireland, and came to Chester about 1728. He lived on the spot where Mr. Reed lives. He m. Sarah ———, and had eight ch. 1. Abigail, b. Nov. 20, 1752. 2.

Mary, b. Jan. 9, 1755. 3. John, b. May 10, 1757. 4. Samuel b. Jan. 9, 1761, m. Isabella M. Dole, April 17, 1783, and had nine ch., one of whom was the late Capt. Samuel Aiken, b. Jan. 10, 1786. 5. Sarah, b. Feb. 21, 1763. 6. James, b. Aug. 22, 1765. 7. Ezekiel, b. Nov. 30, 1767. 8. Susanna, b. June 3, 1770. Mr. Aiken obtained of the town the grant of a mill privilege, and in 1730 built the first grist-mill in town, near his own house.

JACOB CHASE, Esq.,

Was born at Newbury, Mass., in 1728, and removed to Chester about 1750. He settled on the farm now occupied by his descendant of the same name. He was selectman and justice of the peace many years. He was twice married; first to Prudence Hills, Nov. 7, 1751. They joined the Cong. Church in Chester, in Sept. 1756. They had three ch. 1. Sarah, b. Nov. 28, 1756. 2. Stephen, b. March 27, 1759, father of Jacob Chase, of Chester. 3. Josiah, b. April 6, 1767. His second wife was a widow Dearborn.

THE HAZELTON FAMILY.

Three brothers, Ephraim, John and Thomas came to Chester, from Bradford, Mass., in 1728.

Ephraim, (not of Bradford, perhaps of Manchester, Mass.,) Was chosen constable in 1729, and selectman in 1732 and 40. He m. Ruth Ingalls in 1735. They had ten ch. 1. John, b. Jan. 9, 1736, m. a Chase. This John H. is grandfather of Miss A. C. Hazelton, preceptress of Bradford Academy. 2. Peter, b. April 29, 1738, m. Molly French, April 12, 1770, and afterwards Hannah Hoit, April 1, 1788. 3. Nancy, b. May 2, 1740. 4. Richard, b. Oct. 2, 1742, m. Lucy Cross, and had seven ch. of whom Peter Hazelton, of Chester, is one. (1) Sarah, b. Oct. 15, 1773; (2) Ephraim, b. Jan. 27, 1775; (3) Richard, b. Oct. 26, 1776; (4) Mary, b. April 18, 1778; (5) Ruth, b. Aug. 29, 1780; (6) Peter, b. March 20, 1783, resides in Chester; (7) Thomas, b. Aug. 1785. 5. Elizabeth, b. Oct. 5, 1745. 6. Susanna, b. Jan. 31, 1748. 7. Ruth, b. May 8, 1750. 8. Hannah, b. March 15, 1754. 9. Ephraim, b. June 21, 1757. 10. Hannah, b. June 10, 1760.

JOHN, (b. at Bradford, son of Rich'd and Abigail, Nov. 22, 1703,)

Married Mary Ingalls in 1739. They had eight ch. 1. Samuel, m. his cousin Elizabeth, and had a family. 2. Mary, b. Nov. 23, 1741. 3. John, b. Feb. 14, 1743. 4. Ebenezer, b. May 3, 1747. 5. James, b. March 27, 1750. 6. Billy, b. March 10, 1751. 7. Sarah, b. March 20, 1754. 8. John, b. Nov. 8, 1756. John 3, m. Hannah Chase, March 21, 1782, and had a family of eight children, among whom are John, Samuel and William, of Chester.

THOMAS, (b. at Bradford, son of Richard and Abigail, March 18, 1707.)

Married Joanna Hills, May 8, 1738. They had six ch. 1. Abigail, b. Feb. 18, 1739. 2. Rebecca, b. Nov. 6, 1741. 3. Thomas, b. May 22, 1744. 4. Moses, b. Feb. 18, 1745, m. Bridget French, June 1, 1775, had four ch. of whom are Thomas and Moses, of Chester. 5. Benj., b. Aug. 15, 1752, m. Susanna Richardson, and had a family. 6. Joanna, b. Oct. 24, 1757. These families of Hazeltons settled on Walnut Hill, where most of their descendants still remain.

JAMES SHIRLEY

Was born in Ireland in 1649; together with a brother and three half brothers, Thomas, Alexander and Samuel, who settled in Longmeadow. He came to Chester about 1730, at an advanced age. He lived where Mr. Swain now lives. His children were 1. James, had two ch. James, and Ens. William, m. Mary Morrison. He died about 1790, a. 100 years. 2. John, had a son John, who now lives in Chester. 3. Hugh, m. Mary Gray; his sons removed to Belfast, Me.

PATRICK MELVIN

Was born in Ulster Co., Ireland, and came to Chester about 1730. He lived where Mr. Greenough lives. He had one son, Benjamin, b. about 1738, m. Mehitabel Bradley in 1762, and had ten ch. Thomas J., of Chester, is a grandson of Benjamin.

CAPT. JONATHAN BLUNT

Was born perhaps at Portsmouth, or Newcastle, N. H., in 1708; removed to Chester in 1729, and built a house where Mr. Arms-

by lives. In 1734 he m. Mary ———. They had eight ch. Capt. Blunt and his wife joined the Cong. Church in Chester, in 1741. The land of the burying place was bought of him for £60. He died May 24, 1762, a. 54 years.

THE HILLS FAMILIES.

Four individuals of this name came to Chester, viz: (1) Samuel, in 1736, from Newbury, of whom Edward S., of Chester, is a descendant. (2) Moses. (3) Abner. (4) Benjamin, came from Newbury in 1737; was chosen Representative in 1744. He died Nov. 2, 1762, a. 78 years. He had a son Benjamin, and a grand son Benjamin, who was the father of Zilla Hill, now resident in Chester.

THE MORSE FAMILIES.

Four Morses lived in Chester about 1740. (1) Josiah, (d. Feb. 8, 1795,) m. Mary Chase in 1744, had seven children. (2) Nathan, had a family. (3) Thomas, had a family. (4) Capt. Abel, was born at Newbury, Oct. 5, 1692. He married Grace Parker, of Bradford, in 1714. Their ch. were 1. Parker, b. April 20, 1715, a physician at Woodstock, Conn. 2. Abel, b. March 13, 1717, lived at Newbury and Sutton. 3. Nathan, b. June 12, 1719, lived at Moultonboro'. 4. Josiah, b. 1721, lived in Chester. 5. Stephen, b. Feb. 15, 1724, m. Abigail Ingalls, and had eleven ch., one of whom is Isaac of Chester; he d. March 6, 1807. 6. Rebecca, b. 1726. 7. Eleanor, b. 1728. 8. Oliver, b. 1730, father of Amos Morse, of Chester, (perhaps.) 9. Abraham, b. 1733, m. Sarah Woodman, June 20, 1763, had five ch. of whom the "Morse girls" are three. Capt. Morse m. Sarah Kimball, of Bradford, Sept. 29, 1757. They had one daughter, Susanna, b. in 1763. Capt. Morse died April 20, 1763. He lived near Couch's saw-mill; was chosen the first representative of Chester in 1748.

JOHN HALL

Came to America from England at an advanced age. His sons were 1. Ralph, lived in Pelham. 2. Joshua, m. Deborah Ethridge in 1750, and had a large family. 3. Henry, m. Joanna Sargent in 1734, had eight ch. (1) Mary, b. 1735, m. Thomas Chase. (2) Dorothy, b. 1737, m. Abraham Fitts. (3) Caleb, b.

1738, m. Mary Bradley, of Haverhill, had several ch. of whom Elijah is one. (4) Henry, b. 1740, m. a Bradley. (5) Joanna, b. 1742, m. Moses Powell, of Enfield. (6) Obededom, b. 1744, m. Mary Kimball. (7) Judith, b. 1746. (8) Peter, b. June 9, 1751, m. Lois Atwood, of Haverhill, had ten ch., of whom are John, Moses, and Henry, of Chester.

Jonathan and Nathaniel were perhaps other sons of John Hall.

Dea. EBENEZER DEARBORN,

Son of Thomas and Hannah, was born at Hampton, Oct. 3, 1679, removed to Chester about 1729. He m. Abigail Sanborn, Oct. 7, 1703. He died at Chester, March 15, 1772, aged 92; had eight ch. of whom 1. Ebenezer, b. Jan. 27, 1705, m. Hulda Nason, Jan. 13, 1731, and had eight ch. (1) Hannah, b. 1731, m. Elijah Heath. (2) Sarah, b 1734, m. Jno. Shackford. (3) Hulda, b. 1735. (4) Stephen, b. 1738, m. Ruth, dau. of John Robie, in 1761, and afterwards Lydia, dau. of Samuel Robie; he died in 1823. (5) Phebe, b. 1741. (6) Ebenezer, b. 1744. (7) Col. Jonathan, b. Dec. 26, 1746, m. Delia Robie; had five sons, of whom Jonathan now lives in Chester. (8) Richard, b. 1747, m. Molly Ordway, in 1788. (9) Phebe, b. in 1762, m. Wilks West. 2. Peter, m. Margaret Fyfield, of Kingston, Dec. 2, 1736, had eight ch., one of whom, Sherburne, b. Sept. 6, 1758, is still living. 3. Thomas, m. Dolly Sanborn, Sept. 10, 1741, had six ch. one of whom was Dea. John S. Dearborn, (d. Dec. 2, 1813.) Thomas Dearborn d. Jan. 8, 1754. 4. A daughter Mehitabel, who m. a Fitts. 5. Michael, m. Dolly Colby, April 11, 1751, had one dau. Abigail, who m. a Roby. Deacon Ebenezer Dearborn's sons preceded him; they removed to C. in 1725, and he afterwards lived opposite J. Webster's.

Col. JOHN WEBSTER

Was born Aug. 9, 1714, at Bradford, and came to Chester about 1735. He m. Hannah Hobbs, Nov. 29, 1739. They had seven ch. She d. Nov 20, 1760. He m. the widow Sarah Smith, Nov. 17, 1762. They had four ch. Mr. Webster first lived on the spot where Frank Morse lives, but afterwards where Mr. Quigg lives. He opened the first store in town in a part of his house about 1750. He was Selectman in 1742 and 44. He d. Sept. 16, 1784, a. 70.

Col. DAVID WEBSTER.

For a sketch of Col. David Webster, see the N. H. Historical Collections, Vol. 2, p. 270.

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Physicians of Chester.

Dr. ROGERS.

His name is mentioned from 1730 until 1734. It is by no means certain that he lived in Chester.

Dr. GEORGE WOOD

Came to Chester about 1745 and remained a few years. He taught school three years in Chester. He removed to Londonderry, where he practised from 1770 until 1785.

Dr. SAMUEL MOORES

Removed to Chester before 1749, and lived in that part of the town now Candia. He kept school in 1749 and 50. About 1750 he m. Mehitable Ingalls, the first white child born in Chester. They had two ch., Peter b. Dec. 13, 1751, David b. Feb. 26, 1754. In 1751, he and his wife owned the covenant. He practised in Candia until his death, Oct. 28. 1793.

Dr. WM. RAND.

It is uncertain whether he was a physician at all, and if he was, whether he practised in Chester. There was a Dr. Rand in Londonderry, according to Mr. Parker's History. This Dr. Rand is mentioned in later years as a town pauper. It is likely that his knowledge was confined to roots and herbs. Dr. Rand, it seems, commenced practise in Chester in 1755 or 6, but became insane and went to Londonderry. He began practise in Londondery in 1750.

Dr. JOHN ORDWAY, (probably of Newbury,)

Came to Chester and began to practise about 1755. He kept school several years in Chester. His dwelling was nearly opposite John Robinson's house. He joined the church with his wife in 1761. He m. a Miss Robie of Chester and had several ch. He d. in 1775. Dr. Ordway was the principal physician of the

town for 20 years, and apparently was better qualified to practise than some of his brethren of the present day.

Dr. BENJ. PAGE

Came to Chester propably about 1775. He lived where Joseph Robinson's house stands. His buildings were destroyed by fire in 1795. In 1778 his family had the small pox and two of his children died of it. He was an unlucky man in Chester, and in 1795 he removed to Exeter.

Dr. FOX

Lived a short time in Chester about 1770.

Dr. THOMAS SARGENT

Lived and practised in town from 1775 until 1819, when he removed. He was esteemed a good physician.

The remaining physicians up to the present time, in Chester Village, are Drs. Ebenezer Hills, (d. Sept. 27, 1790, a. 30,) Jonathan Shaw, Benja. Kittredge, Samuel Foster, Rufus Kittredge, and Jacob P. Whittemore.

The Attorneys at Law in Chester until 1800 were
John Porter, (about 1790.)
Arthur Livermore, (about 1793.)
Daniel French, about (1797.)
Amos Kent, about (1798.)
N. H. Repository, *July*, 1834.

Lt. SMITH.

Lieut. Thomas Smith removed to New Boston about 1735, where he was one of the first settlers, as he had been at Chester. He was five times married, his last wife being a widow McCollom. At his death, he left five children. 1. Samuel lived and died at New Boston. 2. Reuben, removed to Passamaquoddy. 3. John, lived at New Boston, had several ch. one of whom Deac. Thomas Smith, now resides in New Boston, at the advanced age of eighty-six years. His children were the first whites who died in that town. 4. A daughter m. a Mr. M'Laughlin, and lived and died at New Boston. 5. A daughter m. Benj. Melvin, of Chester.

Lt. Thomas Smith died at New Boston, aged about 80 years, in 1768.

John, 3, has eleven grandchildren now resident in New Boston, children of Deac. Thomas Smith, b. May, 1765.

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COPY OF THE GRANT.

"In Council, August 26, 1720.

The petition of Messrs. Henry Sherburne, Clement Hughes, and Comp^{a}, preferred May 24, 1720, praying for a township, &c., is granted, and Col. Hunking, Capt. Wibird, Capt. Henry Sherburne, and Capt. Tilton appointed a committee to lay out the land.

RICHARD WALDRON, *Cler. Cou.*

Nov. 19, 1720. Vera Copia.

Whereas, we the subscribers, were ordered and directed by the committee appointed by his Excellency the Governor and Council, to lay out a new town, adjoining to Haverhill, Kingston and Exeter, pursuant to the aforesaid directions, we have run the following lines, viz: We began at a white pine tree, marked RW : HS : IT : WB standing on the supposed Kingston line, where Haverhill supposed line cuts it, and run 10 miles upon a WNW line to a pitch pine tree, notched on four sides; then we began again at the aforesaid white pine tree, and run three miles along the supposed Kingston headline, to the supposed Kingston north corner bounds, next to Exeter, and from thence 7 miles upon a NbE line to a hemlock tree marked RW : HS : IT. The other two lines, being run parallel to those two lines, will make a tract ten miles square, agreeable to the petition preferred by Capt. Henry Sherburne, Clem^{t} Hughes and Comp^{a}, (to) and granted by his Excellency the Govr & Council.

THOS. PIERCE,
EPHRAIM DENNET,
GEO. PIERCE,
JAS. TILTON.

Dated at Pourtsmouth, Jan'y 4, 1720–21."

NAMES OF FIRST SETTLERS.

1. Clement Meserves,
2. Amos Cass,
3. George Pierce,
4. Col. Wear,
5. Col. Packer,
6. Capt. Thomas Pierce,

} Probably of Portsmouth. They were paid as settlers, but probably never settled in town themselves.

7. John Sanborn, (of Hampton, son of Richard and Ruth, was b. Nov. 19, 1681.)
8. Zachary Clifford.
9. Thomas Smith.
10. Benjn Smith, (probably of Hampton, or neighborhood.)
11. Caleb Towle, (of Hampton, b. May 9, 1701, son of Caleb and Zephorah Towle.)
12. Jonathan Kimball, (probably of Bradford.)
13. William Daniel.
14. Samuel Ingalls, (of Haverhill.)
15. Ephraim Guile.
16. Robert Ford.
17. William White.
18. Thomas Dean.
19. James Perkins, (of Hampton, son of Humphrey and Martha Perkins, b. Sept. 9, 1695.)
20. Rev. Mr. Simms, (probably of Bradford.)

COPY OF CHARTER.

Province Seal. George, by the grace of God, of Great Britain, France, and Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith, &c.

To all people to whom these presents shall come—greeting: Know ye that we, of our especial knowledge and motion, for the due encouragement of settling a new plantation, by and with the advice of our council, have given and granted, and by these presents, as far as in us lies, do give and grant, in equal shares, unto sundry of our beloved subjects, whose names are entered in a schedule hereunto annexed, that inhabit or shall inhabit within the said grant, within our Province of New Hampshire, all that

tract of land within the following bounds, viz: To begin at Exeter southerly corner bounds, and from thence run upon a west-and-by-north point, two miles along Kingston northerly line to Kingston north corner bounds, thence upon a south point three miles along Kingston headline to Kingston South corner bounds, and from thence upon a West-north-west point, ten miles into the country. Then to begin again at the aforesaid Exeter southwardly corner bounds, and run seven miles upon Exeter headline, upon a North-east point half a point more northerly; then fourteen miles into the country, upon a West-north-west point to the river Merrimack, and from thence upon a straight line to the end of the aforesaid ten-mile line; and that the same be a town corporated by the name of CHESTER, to the persons aforesaid forever, to have and to hold the said land to the grantees and their heirs and assigns forever, and to such associates as they shall admit upon the following conditions: 1. That every proprietor build a dwelling house within three years, and settle a family therein and break up three acres of ground, and plant or sow the same within four years and pay his proportion of the town charge when and so often as occasion shall require the same. 2. That a meeting house be built for the public worship of God within said term of four years. 3. That upon default of any particular proprietor in complying with the conditions of this charter, upon his part, such delinquent proprietor shall forfeit his share to the other proprietors, which shall be disposed of according to the major vote of said commoners, at a legal meeting. 4. That a proprietor's share shall be reserved for a parsonage, another for the first minister of the gospel, another for the benefit of a school, provided nevertheless, that the peace with the Indians continue during the aforesaid term of three years; but if it should so happen that a war with the Indians should commence before the expiration of the aforesaid term of three years, the aforesaid term of three years shall be allowed to proprietors after the expiration of the war, for the performance of the aforesaid conditions; rendering and paying therefor, to us, our heirs and successors, or such other officer or officers as shall be appointed to receive the same, the annual quit-rent acknowledgment of one pound of good merchantable hemp, in the said town, on the 20th of December, yearly, forever reserving also unto us, our heirs and successors, all mast trees growing on said

land, according to acts of Parliament in that behalf made and provided, and for the better order, rule, and government of the said town, we do by these presents grant, for us, our heirs and successors, unto the said men and inhabitants, or those that shall inhabit the said town, that yearly, and every year, upon the last Thursday in March, forever, they shall meet to elect and choose, by the major part, their constables, selectmen, and all other town officers, according to the laws and usage of our aforesaid Province, for the year ensuing, with such power, privileges, and authority, as other town officers, within our aforesaid Province, have and enjoy.

In witness whereof we have caused the seal of our said Province to be hereunto annexed. Witness—Sam[l] Shute, Esq., our Governor and Command[r]-in-chief of our said Province, at our town of Pourtsmouth, the 8th day of May, in the 8th year of our reign, Anno Domini, 1722.

By his Excellency's command, with advice of Council,

SAM[ll] SHUTE.

R. WALDRON, *Cler. Cou.*

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SCHEDULE OF PROPRIETORS.

Samuel Penhallow, Esq.,
Shadrach Walton, Esq.,
Richard Wibird, Esq.,
Thomas Packer, Esq.,
Capt. Eben[r] Wentworth,
Capt. Henry Sherburne,
Benj. Gambling, Esq.,
George Jaffrey, Esq.,
Thomas Wentworth, Esq.,
Ephraim Dennet,
Thomas Westbrook, Esq.,
Thomas Phipps, Esq.,
Clement Hughes,
Josiah Sherburne,
Michael Whidden,
Capt. Josiah Pierce,
Rev. Nath[l] Rogers,
William Rynes,
Josiah Small,
Susanna Small,
Josiah Tilton,
Jethro Tilton,
Amos Cass,
James Perkins,
William Healey,
Zachary Clifford,
Jacob Stanyan,
Enoch Sanborn,
Ichabod Robie,
Nath[l] Batchelder, jr.,
Benoni Fogg,
Richard Clifford,

Ephraim Dennet,
Thomas Smith,
Eleazer Russell,
Samuel Plaisted,
Phineas Towle,
William Godfrey,
Ebenezer Dearborn,
Benj. Towle,
Edward Sanborn,
Sherburne Tilton,
Edward Emerson,
Jerry Sanborn,
Caleb Towle,
Jonathan Plummer,
John Cram,
John Prescott, jr.,
Abraham Brown,
John Prescott,
Henry Works,
Josiah Batchelder,
John Silly,
Thomas Leavitt,
Samuel Page,
Nathaniel Sanborn,
James Prescott,
Nathan[l] Batchelder,
Jacob Basford,
Jacob Garland,
Jonathan Brown,
Phil. Blake,
Stephen Sweatt,
John Sanborn,
Samuel Marstin,
Nathan[l] Drake,
Wm. Stevens,
Sam[l] Sherburne,
Sam[l] Prescott,
Josiah Batchelder,
Col. Peter Wear,
James Fogg,
Ebenezer Lovering,
Robert Rowe,
Tho[s] Marstin,
David Tilton,
Elisha Smith,
Sam[l] Smith,
Jonathan Dearborn,
Abraham Drake,
Luther Morgan,
Sam[l] Welsh,
Rev. Theophilus Cotton,
Robert Ford,
Sam[l] Shackford,
Sam[l] Blake,
Josiah Sanborn,
Reuben Sanborn,
Arch[d] McPhedris,
Geo. Brownell,
Thomas Pierce,
Benj. Sanborn,
Benj. Smith,
Jonathan Sanborn,
John Shackford,
Geo. Pierce,
Moses Blake,
Jonathan Kimball,
Ephraim Guile,
Jacob Gilman,
Thomas Whiting,
William Daniel,
Rev. Tho[s] Simms,
Nathan Webster,
Ebenezer Eastman,
Benning Wentworth,
Jonathan Dearborn,
Col. Tho[s] Westbrook,
Capt. Richard Kent,
Josiah Young,

Maj. John Gilman,
Cutt & Ackerman,
Col. Mark Hunking,
Sam[1] Thompson,
Henry Sleeper,
Wm. Crossweight,
Wm. White,
Jonathan Emerson,
John Pecker,
John Jaquish,
Stephen Johnson,
Richard Hazelton,
Deac. Sam[1] Shaw,
Edward Gilman,
Thomas Dean,
Stephen Webster,
Thomas Silver,
Samuel Ingalls,
James Fayles,
John Littlehale,
John Calfe,
Richard Jaquish,
Capt. Joshua Wingate,
Clement Meserves.

LIST OF SCHOOLS AND TEACHERS,

From 1746 *to* 1775.

1746 Dr. Geo. Woods, Dist. 1 & 2, 3 & 4.
1747 " of Chester, 1 & 2.
1748 " Dist. 1 & 4.
1749 Dr. Samuel Moores, of Chester.
1750 Henry Herring, of Newbury.
John Hickey.
Dr. Samuel Moores,
1751 John Hickey, Dist. 1.
James Dresser, of Bradford.
Nehemiah McNeal, probably of Derry.
1752 " Dist. 1 & 2, 3 & 4.
1753 Master Hazelton, Dist. 4, probably of Chester.
Neh. McNeal.
1754 Master Hazelton, Dist. 3.
Samuel McPherson.
Neh. McNeal.
1755 James Hazzard, of Chester.
Thomas Boys, Dist. 3.
1756 James Hazzard, lived in Chester—had a family.
Tho[s] Boys, of Derry.
1757 "
Master Howe, Dist. 1.

1758 Thomas Boys.
James Quinton, of Chester.
Mrs. Sarah Ingalls.
Wm. Smith.
Dr. John Ordway, of Chester.
Stephen Webster, of Chester, an elder of the church.
Thomas Boys.
Mrs. Currier.
Ens. Ja^s^ Quenton, of Chester.
Mrs. Dudley.
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1759 Dr. John Ordway.
Master Scott.
Stephen Webster.
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1760 James Hazzard.
Master Scott.
1761 James Hazzard, kept 8 months.
John Crombie, " 2 "
James Quenton.
Stephen Webster.
1762 John Flagg, kept 10 months.
James Quenton, Dist. 4.
David Webster.
John McNeal.
1763 Master Balch, Dist. 1, 3 months.
James Quenton, kept 7½ months.
Master Scott, " 4¾ "
Henry Herring, " 1 "
Josiah Flagg, " 1 "
Dr. Rand, " 1 week.
1764 Dr. John Ordway.
James Quenton.
1765 Dr. J. Ordway, kept 9 months.
1766 Master Rand, " 5¼ "
Master Evans, " 4 "
James Quenton, " 2 "
William Smith, " 2 "
1767 Master Evans, " 11¼ "

	James Quenton, kept 2 months.
	Master Hazelton, " 1 "
1768	Master Evans,
	Master Morse.
1769	
1770	Master Evans.
	Josiah Flagg.
	Henry Herring.
1771	Master Perkerson.
1772	Master Shaw, kept 9 months.
	Master Dunovan, kept 3¼ months.
	Master True, " 3 "
1773	Master Ordway.
	Master Cheever.
	Henry Herrick.
	Master Hodgkins.
	Matthew Forsaith, jr.
1774	"
1775	Master Prentice, kept 12 months, Dist. 1–3.

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LIST OF SOLDIERS OF THE REVOLUTION DRAFTED FROM CHESTER.

Twenty-six individuals from this town were lost in the war of the Revolution.

Reuben Sanborn,
Edmund Black,
Francis Towle,
John Underhill, jr.,
Benjamin Hall,
Capt. Stephen Dearborn,
Benj. Hills,
Sam[l] Webster,
Simon Bailey,
Ens. Edw. Robie,
Jonathan Underhill,
——— Presson,
Cornelius Morgan,
David Underhill,
Edmund Elliott,
Joseph Hills,
Ephraim Fitts,
Sam[l] Emerson, Esq.,
Rob[t] Reynolds,
Daniel Greenough,
Eben[r] Townsend,
Bracket Towle,
Francis Towle, jr.,
Stephen Clay,
Sam[l] Hills,
Thomas Furnald,

Benj. Long,
Joseph Long,
Josiah Morse, jr.,
Dearborn Heath,
Nathan[l] Hall,
Dominicus Prescott,
John Knowles,
John Hoyt,
Joseph Blanchard,
Joseph Knowles,
William Randall,
Ens. John Tucke,
Moses Morse,
Lt. Isaac Blaisdell,
Maj. Jabez French,
Nathan[l] French,
James Clay,
Eben[r] Dearborn, jr.,
Lt. Ezekiel Worthen,
Jacob Elliott,
Peter Hall,
Simon Berry,
Joshua Hall,
Abner Hills,
Peter Hills,
——— Currier,
Lt. Sam[l] Hazelton,
Jacob Chase, Esq.,
Benj. Hazelton,
Peter Hazelton,
Capt. Jno. Underhill,
Jacob Hills,
Peter Dearborn,
Josiah Dearborn,
Jonathan Dearborn,
Parker Carr,
Capt. Joseph Dearborn,
Capt. Joseph True,
David Hall,
Caleb Hall,
Moses Webster,
Jeremiah Richardson,
Sam[l] Brown,
Thomas Shannon,
Gideon Currier,
Lt. Wm. Locke,
Benj. True,
John Morse,
Benj. Morse,
Stephen Morse,
Samuel Davis,
Francis Carr,
Simeon Carr,
John Dalton,
Dr. John Dusten,
Samuel Dalton,
Jonathan Norton,
——— Carr,
Lt. Jno. Dearborn,
Abraham Sargent,
Josiah Bradley,
Reuben Hills,
——— Spiller,
Corn[t] John Lane,
Lt. John Lane,
*Capt. Amos Emerson,
William Gross,
Timothy Wells,
Daniel Dolbeer,
Amos Paine,
James Richardson,
Daniel Webster,

* Amos Emerson was Capt. and Simeon Morrill Ensign, of the 3d Comp. of Battalion I. David Forsaith, Ensign of the 8th Company of the II Battalion, in 1776.

Parker Morse,
Peter Severance,
Lt. Josiah Flagg,
Henry Stephens,
John Paine,
Jonathan Berry,
(was shot in the war.)

The above are supposed to be all the "soulders" until Dec. 19, 1777. Not all of the above served; several procured substitutes.

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INSTANCES OF LONGEVITY.

James Wilson, d. 1739, a. 100 years.
James Shirley, d. 1754, a. 105 years.
Alexander Craig, died in 1760, a. 98 years.
William Craig, d. 1775, a. 100 years.
Mrs. Craig, (his wife,) d. 1775, a. 100 years.
James Shirley, d. 1791, a. 100 years.
James Wilson, d. 1793, a. 100 years.
Thomas Wason, d. 1800, a. 100 years.
James Otterson, d. a. 103 years.
Mrs. Healey, d. a. 100 years.

John Burley, a mariner belonging to Chester, sailed from Newburyport in July, 1781; was taken prisoner by the enemy, carried to Ireland, and thrown into prison, where he died in the summer of 1782.

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ACT OF INCORPORATION OF THE SOCIETIES.

1740.

Province of New Hamp. Anno regni regis Georgii secundi Magnæ Brittanicæ, Francias, et Hiberniæ, Decimo quarto.

An act to enable the two congregations in the town of Chester to raise money to pay their respective minister's salary, &c.

Whereas the inhabitants of the town of Chester, in the Province of New Hampshire, have represented to this court that they labor under great difficulties with respect to raising their minister's salary, and collecting the same, and have petitioned this court for relief:

Be it therefore enacted by his Excellency the Governor, Council, and Representatives, convened in General Assembly, and by the authority of the same, that each congregation in said town be and hereby is authorized and empowered to act separate and distinct from each other, as to parish affairs, and that each respective congregation be and hereby is authorized and empowered to pay their respective minister's salary, for the defraying the charges of building and repairing their respective meeting houses and other parish charges; and to choose wardens in each congregation to assess the persons and estates of each congregation as (much as) shall be raised by them respectively for the ends and purposes aforesaid; and to choose collectors to collect the same, which collectors shall have the same power and authority as constables in this Province by law have to gather and collect rates; and that such wardens, chosen as aforesaid, be and hereby are, authorized and empowered to give a warrant to such collectors as fully and amply to all intents and purposes as Selectmen are authorized and empowered to do. And that John Calfe, Ephraim Hazelton, and Enoch Colby be and hereby are authorized and empowered to call the first meeting for the Cong. parish, and Capt. Samuel Ingalls, John Tolford, and John Carr to call the first meeting for the Presbyterian parish; and the said congregations shall have power to choose all officers necessary to manage and transact parish affairs, as other parishes have, or ought, by law, to have, within this Province.

Aug. 7, 1740. Read three times in the House of Representatives and passed to be enacted.

ANDREW WIGGIN, *Speaker.*

Eadem Die. Read three times at the Council board, and voted a concurrence. RICHARD WALDRON, *Sec'y.*

Same day. I assent to the foregoing bill,

J. BELCHER.

Copy—THEO. ATKINSON, *Sec'y.*

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In the attic of J. S. Brown's hotel, I found the papers of Col. John Webster, among which are the muster rolls. In addition to those already given, I find the following names:

Ezekiel Morse,
Jeremiah Griffen,
Theophilus Lovrin,
Nathan Lane,
Elijah Tolford,
William Towl,
Benjamin Whittier, Capt.

July 25th, 1776.

David Weatherspoon,
James Bell,
John McClellan,
David Taylor,
Joseph Linn,
Hugh McAffee,
James Aikin,
Moses McFarland.

June, 1776, Army of Canada, (The Northern Continent.)

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MISCELLANEOUS.

Massabesic pond is the only considerable body of water which was included within the bounds of the Charter of Chester, although there are several small ponds. Massabesic is estimated at about twenty miles in circuit. It was formerly the residence of several families of Penacook Indians, and its name is supposed to be derived from two Indian words, "*Massa*" signifying *great*, and "*peseag*," *lake*. This is very probable from the fact that there was no other considerable pond in the vicinity. These words are explained in Ralle's dictionary of the Abenaquis tongue, which was the language spoken by the Penacooks. Alewives formerly came up into this pond in great abundance, and formed one means of support to the settlers in its vicinity, as did also the falls at Amoskeag. The cave known as the Devil's den is near the eastern shore of Massabesic. It is an irregular cavity in the ledge, extending in a slightly oblique direction nearly sixty feet into Mine Hill. "Penacook path" formerly passed over the east side of this hill; the road now however goes on the west side. There is another cave in Rattlesnake Hill, on the west side of the pond.

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Many of the names which formerly existed in town are now gone; the following are some of these: Blunt, Campbell, Goodhue, Graham, Tolford, Varnum, Berry, Boyd, Carswell, (formerly lived in the woods now owned by J. Webster,) Colby, Craig, Crosett, Foss, Gilchrist, Leach, McPhedris, McPherson,

Megee, Moulton, Neal, Healey, Powell, Presson, Quenton, Tyler, Whiting and Weatherspoon. Several other names exist only in the towns which have been taken from Chester, or are represented by females only, such are Aiken, Calfe, Glynn, Blaisdell, Crawford, Dickey, Wardwell, Richardson, Towle, &c.

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Sherburne Dearborn is now the oldest individual in Chester. He completed his 93d year, Sept. 6, 1851.

Mrs. Hills died in Chester in 1851, aged 99. Mr. Benj. Pike Chase, now resident in Auburn, is in his 90th year, and retains his faculties in a great degree; his father removed to Chester when he was nine years of age.

Robert Knowles and Joseph Carr are now between eighty and ninety years of age.

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The first pauper mentioned is Sarah Berry in 1752. No other is mentioned until 1768. By 1768 occur the names of Abigail Davis, widow Ambross, widow Basford and widow Hills. The names of some of the most respectable inhabitants are recorded as bidding off the aforesaid paupers to board—such are Winthrop Sargent and Lt. Thomas Hazelton.

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CHESTER probably received its name in compliment to George Augustus II. of England, who came into possession of the titles and estates of Prince of Wales and *Earl of Chester* in 1714. He did not become King until 1727. This derivation is, like most conjectures in regard to the names of towns, uncertain. More likely it is named from the city of *Chester*, in Cheshire, England.

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About 1790, John Tolford, son of Dea. Wm. Tolford, in a fit of insanity, shot Timothy Wells, killing him instantly. He was afterwards confined.

About 1830, a man by the name of Welsh, now residing in Auburn, unintentionally killed an individual by a blow on the head with a stake in a dispute. He was committed to the State prison for the offense of manslaughter, but was subsequently pardoned.

It was at the bridge over "Exeter river," mentioned under date 1720, that the money was to be deposited by Mr. Odiorne, and that Capt. Mitchell, of Londonderry, was apprehended on suspicion of being the rogue. See Parker's Hist. of Londonderry, and the N. H. Historical Collections, Vol. 2, (1823.)

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The manner in which I came to know the date of the erection of the first house was this. The house was built by Samuel Ingalls, and John Hall, of Chester, who is a descendant of Ingalls, remembers having heard Nathaniel, son of Sam[l] Ingalls, say that he was *four years of age* at the time his father moved into the "great house." By the Chester records Nathaniel Ingalls was born Dec. 12, 1727. Hence the house was probably built in the spring or summer of 1732.

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In looking over some old accounts, I found among the town papers an entry to the following effect: "The following individuals were allowed ten shillings this year, on account of their settlement in the Chestnut Country, 1720." The names were those given under the head of "First Settlers." There were three such lists, one of 1720, one of 1721, and one of 1722.

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NATHAN WEBSTER

Of Bradford, (b. July 21, 1715,) m. Martha Blaisdell, of Chester, in 1742. Their son Nathan, b. Dec. 26, 1743, m. Eliz. Clifford, in 1771. Their son Josiah was born Jan. 16, 1772. He fitted for college under Mr. Remington, of Candia, Mr. Thayer, of Kingston, and Hon. Stephen P. Webster, graduated at Dartmouth in 1798, and studied theology with Rev. Mr. Peabody, of Atkinson. He d. March 27, 1837. (Hist. Reg. vol. 1, No. 4.)

SMITH AND CARR.

The traditions in regard to the taking of Smith and Carr are not at all well defined. Of the descendants of Smith none now reside in Chester; some of the descendants of John Smith, his brother, however, are still in Chester, viz: Capt. David Shaw, whose mother was daughter of Silvanus, and grand-daughter of

John Smith. His mother used to tell the story of her great uncle's capture, although in a very confused manner. She was, when I saw her, over ninety years of age. I have heard the same account from some other old inhabitants of Chester. No recollection of the fact of Carr's capture exists in the families of his descendants, who are, however, numerous in Chester.

Rev. MOSES HALE.

In regard to Rev. Moses Hale, I obtained the date of his birth from Mr. Coffin, of Newbury. Moses is not mentioned on the town books of Newbury as a son of Justice Thomas Hale, but in the latter's will he speaks of his son Moses, without, however, referring to his having been at college. He gives him land in Rowley, from which circumstances Mr. Coffin doubts whether this Moses was the minister of Chester. The will of Thos. Hale was made in 1730. The children mentioned by Justice Thomas Hale in his will are the following: 1. Thomas, (b. according to Newbury Rec. in 1683,) 2. Ezekiel, (b. 1689,) 3. Nathan, (b. 1691,) 4. Daniel, (b. 1697,) 5. Joshua, (b. 1701,) 6. Moses, (b. according to Mr. Coffin's supposition, in 1703,) 7. Edna, (b. 1684,) 8. Mary, (b. 1687,) 9. Hannah, (b. 1699.) Two other children, not mentioned in the will, died young, viz: Sarah, (b. 1693,) Ebenezer, (b. 1695.)

Mr. Coffin mentions a will written by Jacob Hale, of Boxford, in 1731, in which he mentions his father Joseph, and his brothers, Abner, Ambrose, Joseph and *Moses*, who was born Dec. 25, 1701. Joseph Hale, the father, was of Newbury, and married Mary, dau. of William Watson, of Boxford.

The death of Rev. Moses Hale, I obtained proximately from Mr. Sibley, of Cambridge, by means of the old triennial catalogues of Harvard.

Sept. 1853. I have recently ascertained that my suppositions in regard to Mr. Hale being a native of Boxford, are true. The following facts are all I know at present about him. He was son of Joseph and Mary Hale, and was born at Boxford, Mass., Dec. 25, 1701. He graduated at Harvard, and was settled at Chester, as has been stated, whence he was dismissed by council, in 1735. He returned to Haverhill, where he died in the year 1760. He m. Mrs. Abigail Wainwright, Sept. 28, 1731. (These are certain.)

Rev. JOHN WILSON.

Rev. Mr. Wilson's history I took principally from Farmer's N. H. Gazetteer. I also obtained some information from his grandson, Benj. Mills, of Chester. There is a mistake in the Gazetteer of several years in the date of his death. I copied the inscription from his tombstone.

Rev. EBENEZER FLAGG.

Mr. Flagg's birth-place I have stated to be Woburn. I do not however consider this as certain. A portrait of Mr. Flagg is in the possession of the French family in Chester.

Capt. INGALLS.

I obtained my information in regard to him from the Andover, Haverhill and Chester records, and from Mr. John Hall, of Chester, whose wife is one of his descendants; also from Benj. P. Chase, of Auburn.

Lieut. SMITH.

My information in regard to Lt. Smith was from the Chester records, and from Deac. Thomas Smith, of New Boston, his grandson. Also, some facts from B. P. Chase, in regard to his dwelling, &c.

Major TOLFORD.

My information was from the town records, and from various aged people who recollect him. I copy the following from the Collections of the N. H. Hist. Soc., Vol. IV, p. 201:

"He was selected in 1754, being then a Major, by the Government of N. H., as one of the officers to command the party sent to explore the Coos county, which party set out March 10, and in 7 days reached the Connecticut river at Piermont. They were accompanied by John Stark, who had been, the preceding year, a prisoner among the Indians and was acquainted with that region, as a guide. After passing one night, and making such observations as their time would allow them, they returned, and on the 13th day from the time they left, reached Concord."

Clough says in his journal, "In the afternoon we scouted some (Aug. 20, 1746,) in the woods, but made no discovery. But Capt. Tolford with his men discovered where there had laid some

Indians in ambush, and also found where the Indians had roasted some corn."

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ABNER CLOUGH'S JOURNAL.

Abner Clough's journal of the march of Capt. Ladd and his men sent by the Governor and Council of N. H., to protect the inhabitants of Rumford and the adjoining towns against the incursions of the Indians.

"July 14, 1746. Firstly, marched from Exeter to Beach plain, in Kingston. On the 15th day marched to Chester, and there took more men. On the 16th day enlisted more men. On the 17th day marched from Chester town to a place called Isle Hook's pond, and scouted around the pond, and then camped; about 11 miles." The company continued to scout through Rumford, Canterbury, &c., until the 31st, and then returned to Exeter; and on the 5th of August started again. "Isle Hook's pond" answers very nearly to what is now known as "Lakin's pond."

"Aug. 5. Marched to Beach plain, in Kingston, and there camped. And on the 6th day marched to Chester town, and it rained, and there camped, and on the 7th day marched about three miles above Massabesic pond, and there Lieu. Jonathan Bradley overtook Capt. Ladd and his men. Lieut. Bradley being not well rode up after the company and said that he came along by a place called the North Branch, in Chester, and there he said that he tracked a scout of Indians, about 12 or 15 as he thought there might be, and was very confident that they were Indian's tracks. And Capt. Ladd took about twenty of his men and went back and ranged the woods where he thought likely to discover something of these Indians, as he saith, but could make no discovery, and so went down to Kingston and Exeter, and told the news about the Indians being tracked." Capt. Ladd again marched through Chester on his way to Concord, Sept. 6. The rest of Capt. Ladd's men continued on after he left them on the 7th, to Concord. Several of them (and among them Lt. Bradley,) were killed at Concord on the 11th, by a party of Indians, of which the scouting party discovered in Chester, made a part. Coll. of N. H. Hist. Society, Vol. IV. p. 201.

In 1775, the population of Chester stood thus:

Males, under 16,	384
Males, under 50, over 16,	273
Males, over 50,	101
Females,	787
Fire arms fit for use,	175
Powder in private hands,	30 lbs.
Whole population,	1545

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The list of school teachers previously given was taken from the Town records, and is probably nearly correct.

The list of Revolutionary soldiers I found in an old book, saying on the cover, "This is for what is allowed to soldiers." On the back of it is the date Dec. 19, 1777.

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GRADUATES OF CHESTER. (Incomplete.)

	grad.		died.
Ozias Silsby,	1785		1833
Josiah Webster,	1798		1837
Francis Brown,	1805		1820
William White,	1806		1831
Edmund Flagg,	1806		1815
Samuel D. Bell,	1814	Harvard.	
Samuel Emerson,	1814		
John Bell,	1825	Union.	1830
Thomas Tenney,	1825		
Luther V. Bell,	1826	Bowd.	
James Bell,	1826	Bowd.	
David Pillsbury,	1827		
Sewall Tenney,	1827		
Stephen Chase,	1832		1851
Edmund Flagg,		Bowd.	
Charles Tenney,	1835		
Christopher S. Bell,	1838		1838
Daniel Tenney,	1841		
Charles E. Dearborn,	1842		

John W. Ray,	1843
Charles H. Bell,	1844
David Bremner,	1850
George Bell.	1851

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PETITION FOR GRANT. (Copy.)

From the Council Records of 1719.

A petition for a township in ye Chestnutt Country, signed by about 100 hand, preferred by Mr. Hughes, Sept. 24, 1719. Minuted—Read again, Apr. 28, 1720.

To his Excellency Samuel Shute, Esq., Capt. Gen^{ll} & Com-an^{dr} in Chief in an over His Majesty's Province of New Hampshire, &c., and the Honble the Council, now sitting in Council at Pourtsmouth, in and for said Province :

The humble petition of sundry of the Inhabitants of s^{d} Province Humbly sheweth That y^{r} Petitioners have associated themselves together to settle a certain tract of waiste land containing Eight miles square, laying in the Province of New Hampshire afores^{d}, and adjoining on the East to Kingston and Exeter, and on the South to Haverhill, and on the West and North to ye woods. And forasmuch as y^{r} Petitioners are informed that sundry persons belonging to severall Towns in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay design to petition y^{r} Excellency & Hon^{rs} to have the same lott of land granted to them for a township. Your Petitioners therefore most humbly pray that they may have the preference, (having been at a vast expense of blood and treasure to maintain the same against the Enemy.) and that the said tract of land may be granted a township to them, and as many more as are willing to settle the same, so as to make up the number of one hundred (and twenty-five) persons, under such limitations for the settling of it as y^{r} Excellency & Hon^{rs} will, in your great wisdom, see convenient for the speedy settling thereof, and y^{r} Petitioners ever will pray as in duty bound.

Sept. 24, 1719.

Thos Phipps,	Henry Sherburne,
Jos. Pierce,	Benj. Gambling,

Tho. Packer.
Joseph Tilton,
Nath^{ll} Batchelder, jr.,
John Cram,
Philemon Blake,
Jacob Stanyan,
Robt Row, Senr.,
David Tilton,
Reuben Sanborn,
John Morrison,
Sam^{ll} Blake, jr.,
Nath^{ll} Healey,
Nath^{ll} Sanborn,
Joseph Batchelder,
John Sealy,
Jethro Tilton,
Ichabod Robie,
Edward Sanborn,
John Prescott, jr.,
Zachariah Clifford,
Joseph Batchelder, jr.,
Sam^{ll} Blake, senr.,
Edward Gilman,
John Searll,
William Godfree,
Nehem^{h} Leavitt,
John Morrison,
Sam^{ll} Elkins,
Robt Wadle, jr.,
Jeremiah Sanborn,
Daniel Tilton,
Thomas Veazi,
Joshua Prescott,
John Cass,
Daniel Ladd,
Abner Herriman,
Sam^{ll} Prescott,
Nath^{ll} Batchelder, senr.,
John Ladd,
Jos. Sherburne,
Clement Hughes,
Saml Plaisted,
Elez^{r} Russell,
Samuel Hart,
Eph^{m} Dennett,
John Preston,
Benj. Sanborn,
Joseph Sanborn,
James Prescott,
Jonathan Prescott, jr.,
Richard Sanborn,
Richard Clifford,
George Veazi, jr.,
Jonathan Sanborn,
Nathan Longfellow,
Sam^{ll} Sanborn,
Jacob Green,
Henry Dyea,
Benj. Fifield,
Sherburne Tilton,
Benj. Fogg,
Joseph Love,
Jacob Gilman,
Joseph Young,
Ephraim Hoit,
Abraham Sanborn,
Israel Blake,
William Healey,
Charles Stuart,
Enoch Sanborn,
Daniel Lovering,
Ebenezer Lovering,
Jona^{n} Robinson,
Reuben Smith,
Thomas Veazi, jr.,
Nath^{ll} Stevens, jr.,
James Leavit,
Wm. Stevens, Porchth,

Oliver Smith,
Edward Fifield,
John Gilman, jr.,
John Knowles,
Sam^{ll} Veazi,
Benj. Veazi,
Thomas Veazi, jr.,
Nicolas Norris,
John Norris,
Nicolas Seavy,
Thomas Rollins,
Joseph Lorrane,
John Roberts,
Moses Norris, senr.,
Jona^{n} Plummer,
John Smith,
Benj. Tole,
Caleb Tole,
Abraham Drake,
Sam^{ll} Smith,
Thomas Garton,
James Purckins,
Jacob Moulton,
Jonathan Nason,
Elisha Smith,
Jonathan Dearborn,
Thomas Leavitt,
James Fogg.

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SMITH AND CARR.

Since writing the account of the captivity of Smith and Carr, I have received a very particular account of it from Dea. Thos. Smith, grandson of Lieut. Smith, who was surprised by the Indians and taken captive in Chester, viz: "The facts are remarkably clear in the Deacon's mind. John Carr was brother-in-law of Lieut. Smith; his sister being Smith's wife, and Carr was but 18 years of age when they were captured by the Indians. It was on this wise, viz: They were making a tree (or brush) fence to secure the cow from the Indians. One tree lodged against its neighbor, and they were watching to see which way another would fall, (with a view of bringing down the first,) when they were surprised by the crack of a rifle and the ball passed between them, touching Smith. The Indians sprang upon and seized them, a scuffle ensued in which Smith turned the butt of his gun and brought it down with a view of sinking the lock into the head of *Capt. Joe English*, the leader of the Indians, but missing his aim he struck him on the side of the head which sallied him back, but English recovering threw Smith, and they (Smith and Carr) were both secured and led away. They proceeded northward till night, when the keepers each managed to secure his prisoner for the night. They were not allowed to see

where each other lodged. Smith's captor cut a notch in the spreading root of a beech tree, and after several trials fitted in the ankle of the prisoner, then drove down a stake firmly against the notch so as to make the foot secure while the prisoner was lying on his back. His arms were also tied behind him with the sinews of deer. Thus he rested. The next morning they pursued their journey, but not rapidly; the prisoners not being allowed to speak to each other. The next night Smith took special notice in which direction from him Carr was placed. He was secured as on the night previous, with the addition however of having hooks put over the elbows and driven firmly into the ground. Resolving to make his escape, after his Indian was asleep, (the Indian slept on the ends of the cords with which he was bound,) he gradually tried the strength of his strong arms, and the hooks gave way. Then he found that the cords would give. He continued to strain upon them until he could get his thumbs under the cord that stretched across his breast; then with that aid he raised it upon his chin, then got it to his mouth, and after long trial succeeded in raising it over his nose, and finally over his entire head. Soon he extricated himself entirely without waking the Indian. He might have killed the party but thought it would be murder. Leaving them to their pleasant dreams they found a stream of water in which they traveled as far as possible to elude the dogs. At length they climbed some trees and soon the day dawned, when they heard the alarm-whoop of their disappointed captors, which was answered by another party on the opposite side of them. Their position was now, of course, a critical one, directly between two parties of Indians so near as to answer each other with the voice. Descending they made their way back towards Chester, where they arrived on the evening of the third day after their capture. The garrison was *at Chester*, not 'Londonderry.'"

The above is the relation of Dea. Smith, of New Boston, now over eighty years of age. It was furnished me by Rev. Mr. Kellogg of that town. I presume it is substantially correct. The other party of Indians which he refers to was probably a part of the company who captured them. They were probably prowling about in the neighborhood, having left the care of Smith and Carr to those who claimed the right of masters over them. Mr. Kel-

logg adds, "The Indians from whom they escaped surprised and killed two or three men the next day while working in a field near Concord."

Rev. MOSES HALE.

Since writing the account of Mr. Hale, I have become satisfied that he was not, as has usually been supposed, a native of *Newbury*, and born in 1703, but of *Boxford*, and born *Dec.* 25, 1701.

I have several letters which induce me to believe so, from which I make these extracts. (From Mr. Coffin, author of the History of Newbury, dated 25 Oct. 1851.) "Now, as Thomas Hale in his will, mentions his son *Moses*, just as he does his other sons, and makes no allusion to his having been at college, and gives him land in Rowley, the question is, is this Moses the one who was settled in Chester, N. H.? He was settled in 1731, and the will was made in 1730. I am in doubt about it." "Among the wills in Ipswich I find one written in 1731, by Jacob Hale, of Boxford. In this will he mentions his father Joseph, his brothers Abner, Ambrose, Joseph and *Moses*. He also mentions his only child Mary. His father Joseph, was of Newbury, and married Mary Watson, dau. of Wm. Watson, of Boxford. Now it is possible that the Rev. Moses Hale, of Chester, was born in Boxford, and was the son of Joseph and Mary Hale." Also, from Mr. Coffin in a later letter, which I have lost I have it stated that he has since become certain that Mr. Hale was *not* a native of Newbury.

(Hon. Artemas Hale, of Bridgewater, writes as follows:) "Thomas Hale had a son Moses, born in 1702–3. He died in Rindge in June, 1763. This, however, cannot be the one settled in your town, as it appears by the records of the town of Rindge, he had two children born in Rowley—one 28 Feb. 1732, the other, 28 Nov. 1733." The town records of Rindge say, "*Mr. Moses Hale was born in Newbury, and died in Monadnock, No. One, June* 19, 1752." (In pencil marks,) *On grave-stone*, 1762, *June* 19*th.*"

(Eliphalet Hale, of Keene, died recently, a. 80, as follows:) "The father of my great grandfather (i. e. the grandfather of the *Newbury* Moses Hale,) had three sons, viz: Thomas, (b. 1658,) Joseph, (1671,) and Samuel, (1674.) I do not know whether

the latter had any children. If not, the Chester Moses must have been either my grandfather, or the son of my great grandfather's brother Joseph. I do not see how he could have been my grandfather, as *he* was at that time residing in Rowley, or at least having children born unto him in that place." These children were "Moses, born in Rowley, 28 Feb. 1732, Enoch, born in Rowley, Nov. 28, 1733, and Nathan, b. in 1743." (Mr. E. Hale continues,) "I think my grandfather, (i. e. the *Newbury* Moses) was *not* the Rev. Moses Hale who settled in Chester. I have never heard that he was a graduate of Harvard College, or had ever been settled in the ministry."

As it appears conclusively that the minister of Chester *was not* Moses Hale of *Newbury*, it only remains to prove that he *was* of *Boxford*. This can be done by the veritable Dictum of Aristotle, *de omni et nullo*. The circumstances and the testimony of the descendants of the Hale family prove that Rev. Mr. Hale was either one or the other of these two—either of Newbury or Boxford. He *cannot* be of *Newbury*, unde sequitur—he *must* be of *Boxford*.

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In regard to the throat distemper of which so many people died in N. H. in 1735 and 6, the only words in Mr. Fitch's account of the subject, in regard to Chester, are the following communicated by Joseph B. Felt, of Boston:

"In Chester have died under ten, twenty-one. One family lost three."

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I have in my possession some leaves of one of Mr. John Webster's ledgers, dated from 1752 to 1758, from which I copy the following charges against Mr. Flagg with the prices annexed, preserving the original orthography:

		£ s. d.		$
Augost 14.	Mr. flag moer debt.			
	to 2 Quarts of rhom,	0 : 19 : 0	=	1.03½
15.	moer to half a bushel of salt,	0 17 0	=	.93½
	to pear of shobockels,	0 10 0	=	.55
	to one pear of garters, 2 nots of thread,	0 8 0	=	.44
16.	moer to 3 yards of silk ferret,	0 10 6	=	.57¾

18.	moer to 2 Quarts of rhom,	0	19	0	=	1.03½
19.	moer to one peck of salt,	0	8	6	=	.42¾
20.	moer to 2 Quarts of Rhom,	0	19	0	=	1.03½
22.	moer to 4 shets of paper,	0	2	0	=	.11
23.	moer to one Quart of west indea rhom,	0	12	0	=	.66
27.	moer to one Quarter & half of cambrick,	1	10	0	=	1.66
	to one Quart of rhom,	0	12	0	=	.66
28.	moer to one pint of rhom,	0	6	6	=	.35¾
30.	moer to one Quart of rhom,	0	12	0	=	.66
Septem. 2.	moer to 3 bisket,	0	1	3	=	.07
5.	moer to 4 poond of taller at 5s pr. p.,	1	0	0	=	1.11
6.	moer to one Quart of rhom,	0	9	6	=	.79¼
8.	moer to 6 bisket,	0	3	0	=	.16½
10.	moer to Earthen wear,	1	18	0	=	2.10
	to one Quarter of buckorm,	0	4	6	=	.24¾
11.	moer to 2 Earthen poots, one small mog,	0	15	0	=	.82½
	to one Quart of rhom,	0	9	6	=	.79¼
12.	To one small poot,	0	3	0	=	.16½

This will serve to exhibit the prices of articles in those times, and also what the *principal* articles of traffic were :

The price of	cambric cloth	was	$4.40	per yard.
" "	tape,	"	5½	"
" "	shallorn	"	1.48	"
" "	silk ferret	"	19¼	"
" "	buckram	"	99	"
" "	one cotton handkerchief,		1.99	
" "	2 needles,		05½	
" "	3 darning needles,		07	
" "	horn comb,		27	

" " sugar, per lb. was from 33 to 44 cts.
" " pepper, per oz. 13 cts.
" " molasses, per quart, 94 cts.
" " peas, per bushel, 83.
" " rum, per quart, from 79 to 66 cts.
" " brandy, per pint, 53 cents.
" " biscuit, each (singly) 5½ cts.
" " of powder, per lb. 2.64.
" " of shot, " 55.
" " a fish hook. 05½.
" " a penknife, 88.
" " a gimlet, 22.

Mr. Webster probably began to keep a store as early as 1745; he kept first where Mr. Frank Morse lives, in Hall's Village. About 1750 he had a clerk (or partner) named John Patten.

If the above were reckoned in "Old Tenor currency," I have set them too high. I think however that they reckoned by "lawful currency," probably.

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The houses which were standing in the centre of the town built before 1750, are these. The list was taken from John Hall, of Chester:

Where Jacob Chase lives, lived Jacob Chase, (b. 1728,) house built about 1750.
Elijah Hall, ——— Underhill, date not known.
Jno. West—Nath[l] Blaisdell, " "
Mrs. P. Bell—Rev. Mr. Flagg, about 1736.
Mr. Armsby—Jonathan Blunt, about 1740 or 45.
J. Robinson—Pearson Richardson, not known.
Mr. Fitts—Nathan Fitz, about 1745 or 50.
Mr. Quigg—Col. Jno. Webster, about 1740.
Mr. Bremner—Ebenezer Dearborn, about 1735.
Col. Clay—Jona. Goodhue, before 1740.
Watts house ——— McNeal.
Up the lane—Arch[d] Dunlap, } probably about 1740 or 50.
" " " —Asa Dearborn, }
Benj. Davis, Jr.—Rob[t] Graham, (afterwards N. Long) ab't 1740.
Capt. Shaw—Silvanus Smith, 1740.
Greenough house—Paul Smith, 1740.
In J. Webster's woods—J. & T. Carswell, 1740 or 45.
Opposite J. Webster's—Col. W. White, 1735 or 40.
Jno. Sanborn—Thomas Glynn, built before 1744.
Opposite the house of Moses Webster—Winthrop Sargent, about 1750.
S. Cowdry—Francis Towle, about 1740 or 45.
Isaac Morse—Stephen Morse, " 1750.
John Hall—John Carr, " 1735 or 40.
Poor house—Capt. Hugh Shirley, uncertain.
S. Kendall—John Towle, (afterwards his son Anthony Towle) uncertain.

H. Hall—Henry Hall, about 1740.
On cross road—Rev. Mr. Wilson, about 1735.
Mr. Emerson—Sam[l] Emerson, Esq., about 1735.
Miss Pressey—Enoch Colby, about 1735 or 40.
Tho[s] Hazelton—Tho[s] Smith, (block house) about 1735–38.
Mr. Wilson—Wm. Powell.
Mr. Reed—John Aiken.
Jacks Hill—Jonathan Jack.
David Shaw, Jr.—Ens. James Quenton.
a little north of Dan[l] Wilson's barn—Father of John Wilson.
Joseph Carr—James Crawford.
at the end of cross road beyond Mr. Pickett's—Francis Towle.
Capt. Hazelton—John Colby.
In a house between Miss Pressy's & Capt. Hazelton's—Benj. Colby
Nearly opposite John Robinson's—Dr. John Ordway.
James Bell—William Bell.
Long—Daniel Greenough.
Dr. Whittemore—Col. Simon Towle.
Mr. Lane—Eben[r] Townsend.
Jona. Dearborn ——— Glidden.
Opposite David Shaw, Jr's, nearly—Joseph French.
Between D. Shaw, Jr's and Frank Morse's, on E. side of road—Benj. French.
Capt. Swain—James Shirley.
Half way from Cowdry's to M. Webster's—Abraham Sargent.
on road from poor house to Wid. Mills'—Adam Morrill.
North of Morrill's house, 25 rods—Ephraim (father of Nathan) Fitts.
Wardwell house—James Wardwell.
Calvin Hill—Jacob Hill, of Newbury.
Amos Green—Nathan Webster.
Asa Wilson—Wm. Wilson.
Jacob Green—the father of James Wilson.
Eaton house—Samuel Wilson.
Basford on "G[t] Hill"—Jona. Moulton.
Walter Morse—Pearson Richardson first lived there.
Ed. Sleeper—Jethro Colby, son of Enoch.
near Sleeper's ——— Stockman.
John Morse—Samuel Robie.

Joseph Robinson—Dr. Benj. Page.
Frank Stevens—Pearson Richardson.
Wm. Tenney—Jacob Wells.
Near Tewksbury's house—Benj. Fuller.
Near Derry line, on same road ——— Campbell.
Reynolds—Moses George.
Wid. Chase ——— Bradshaw.
Niles—Capt. Samuel Ingalls.
Luther Hall—Capt. Dow.
Tolford House—Maj. John Tolford.
Parker Morse—Benj. Hazelton.
Merrill—Dea. Tolford.
Samuel Hazelton—Peter Hazelton.
Wm. Hazelton—John Hazelton (grandfather of John.)
Robert Shirley—Thomas Hazelton (father of Moses.)
Eph. Davis—Abel Webster.
John Hazelton—James Aiken.

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Jonathan Emerson, son of Michael and Hannah Emerson, was born March 9, 1669|70.

Jonathan Emerson and Hannah Day were married June 15, 1699. Their children were

Jonathan, b. May 8, 1700; d. May 24, 1700.
John, June 7, 1701.
Nathaniel, Sept. 25, 1703.
Timothy, Novr 30, 1705.
Samuel, Jan. 8, 1707|8.
Richard, Sept. 29, 1710.
Hannah, Decr 3, 1712.
Jonathan, } June 10, 1715.
Abigail, }
Moses, Decr 22, 1717.
Nehemiah, Apr. 24, 1721.
Mehitable, Jan. 30, 1723.

Anthony Towle, an early inhabitant of Chester, was a native of Hampton, son of Caleb and Zephorah, and was born April 30, 1703.

Francis Towle, his brother, was born Jan. 13, 1711.

Jonathan Moulton, an early settler, was born at Hampton, son of Robert and Lucy, June 5, 1702.

John Smith, father of Paul and Silvanus,—all three of whom were settlers,—was born probably at Hampton, June 21, 1669; he was son of John and Huldah Smith.

Josiah Small, an early settler, was probably of Dover or Piscataqua.

The *Prescotts* were of Hampton; as were also the *Robies*.

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The town of Chester labors under a great disadvantage in the matters of History, owing to the loss both of the early Church Records in the time of Mr. Hale until 1736, (supposed to have been destroyed or stolen by Mr. Bradstreet,) and the entire records of the Presbyterian Society until about 1815. The Church Records in Mr. Flagg's ministry at Chester were not kept comme il faut. The Parish Records begin at the incorporation of the Society in 1740.

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End of the "*Facts relating to the History of Chester*," collected "at a vast expense of blood and treasure" by Charles Bell, Esq., resident in said Chester, Rockingham Co., State of New Hampshire, ss.

THE VALLEY OF THE MERRIMACK.

An Address delivered before the New Hampshire Historical Society, June 13, 1860.

BY JOSEPH B. WALKER, ESQ.

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Society; Ladies and Gentlemen:—Your attention is this afternoon invited to some remarks upon our beautiful Merrimack and its Valley. Our subject is a familiar one, yet, we have hoped that, notwithstanding its want of novelty, a brief glance at their physical features, at the early occupation of the valley by the aborigines, and its subsequent discovery and settlement by the whites, as well as at several other kindred topics, if our hour shall permit us to make to them a brief allusion, may not prove altogether profitless or uninteresting.

From whence comes this word Merrimack, and who can tell us its signification? for the people who invented it have perished, and theirs has become not only a dead, but a lost language. A scanty vocabulary of some of its most common words, imperfect at best, and but partially reliable, is all that remains of it.

This name is frequently met with in the early Colonial Records of Massachusetts, and is sometimes written "Merremack,"* and at others "Monomack." Although always applied to the same stream, and not very unlike in sound, the words Merremack and and Monomack differ widely in original signification. The former, according to Judge Potter, was invented by the Northern Indians, and its etymology is "merruh," strong, and "auke," place; the place of strong current,—a term not inappropriate, when we consider the former length and frequency of the river's rapids, now for the most part flowed out by the dams which the great manufacturing interests have thrown across its stream. The latter,

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* This word is variously spelled. In the petition of the inhabitants of the County of Essex, Mass., for a grant of land at Penacook, in 1721, it is written "Merrimake" and "Merrymake"; in the Records of the Proprietors of Penacook, "Merrimack," and in the Colonial Records of Massachusetts, "Merimacke," "Merimack" and "Merrimacke."

"Monomack," we are told, was the name applied to the river by the Massachusetts Indians, best acquainted with its lower sections, and derived from "Mona," island, and "auke," place, the island place; a term also quite appropriate, on account of the number and importance to the Indians of the beautiful islands, that like emeralds adorn its bosom, and divide its stream.

The earlest mention we have found of the Merrimack, is by the French Calvinist, De Monts, who, heading an expedition from Havre, March 7, 1604, made settlements that year at Port Royal and upon the island of St. Croix. The Northern Indians told him of a beautiful river at the South, which they called the "Merremack." The year following, 1605, Sieur De Champlain, following the directions of Indians met at Piscataqua Bay, made actual discovery of it and named it "Riviere du Gas." This doubtless, was its first discovery by white men. But it did not long retain the name thus given it. Its old Indian appellation has ever adhered to it.

At the commencement of its settlement by the whites, the Valley of the Merrimack was in the occupation of some half a dozen different tribes of Nipmuck Indians, located at different points along the river from Winnepisseogee Lake to the Ocean.

Its lower section for some miles was in the possession of the Agawams. Farther up, near where Lowell now stands, lived the Wamesits or Pawtuckets. About the mouths of the streams still bearing their names, dwelt the Nashuas and Souhegans. Above the falls and rapids that now afford motive power to the most extensive manufactories of our State, resided the Namoskeags; while the broad intervales, verdant and fertile, of the present towns of Bow, Concord, Boscawen and Canterbury, were held by the Penacooks, the most powerful of all these tribes. Still farther North, at "Aquedahtan," near the outlet and upon the shores of our great lake, lived the Winnepisseogees. These all acknowledged the sovereign authority of Passaconaway, the great Sachem of the Penacooks, and from this circumstance, perhaps, they bore collectively among the English, the general name of Penacooks.

The various characteristics which distinguished the other New England tribes, adhered to the Indians of this Valley. They made no advances in civilization, but led the unsettled life of the forest. Theirs were the usual Indian occupations of hunting, fish-

ing and war, with so much of the practice of a rude agriculture, as would afford them a limited supply of beans, maize, pumpkins and tobacco. The river yielded them fish in great abundance, and for the purpose of securing supplies of salmon, shad, eels and alewives, they assembled at stated seasons at the falls of Amoskeag, Hookset, Wamesit, Penacook and other similar places of more or less note. Indeed the very name "Wamesit," the place of large assembly, arises from the fact of the Indians collecting here, in large numbers, from far and near, in April and May, to secure at Pawtucket Falls, near by, their usual supply of fish for the ensuing season. The woods abounding in game, by trapping and the chase, they secured meats in abundance, together with a sufficiency of furs and skins for their beds and their wardrobes.

The Indian tribes have ever been addicted to war, and those of this valley cannot be cited as affording an exception to this general rule. The sanguinary battle between the Mohawks and Penacooks at Sugar Ball Plain, just across the river and within a mile of the place of our present assembling, was a sample of the conflicts frequently waged, where Indian energy, cunning, cruelty and revenge combined to make Indian warfare horrible.

Their religious notions were extremely crude. At the installation of the first minister of this place, in 1730, the Rev. Mr. Barnard, of Andover, told the early settlers, in his ordination discourse, that Satan formerly had his seat at Penacook, and "that the devil was wont to be invocated there by God forsaken salvages,"* an utterance not very highly complimentary to the

* Passaconaway, the Bashaba of the Merrimack Valley, was regarded, says Hubbard, "as a great sorcerer and his fame was widely spread. It was said of him that he could cause a green leaf to grow in Winter, trees to dance, water to burn, &c."

Whittier, in his beautiful poem entitled the Bridal of Penacook, representing the current belief of the Indians, says of him:

"For that chief had magic skill,
And a Panisee's dark will,
Over powers of good and ill,
Powers which bless and powers which ban —
Wizard lord of Pennacook,
Chiefs upon their war-path shook,
When they met the steady look
Of that wise dark man."

native gentlemen, whose lands were now wanted by our Christian forefathers.

But the loving heart of the Apostle Elliot had before this yearned for their enlightenment, and threading the dense forests he had often visited them at Pawtucket, at Nashua, and at Namoskeag. Nor were his efforts fruitless, for he established schools among them, and preached to them with success. Through his instrumentality many were converted to Christianity, and in 1648, the great Sagamon, Passaconaway, renounced the superstitions of his fathers and embraced Christianity at Pawtucket. Twenty years afterwards Wanalancet, his son and successor, professed the same faith, in presence of Elliot, Gen. Gookin, and large numbers of his people, and his subsequent life attested the sincerity of the act.

The agriculture of the aborigines was quite limited in extent. They tilled but small patches of the rich intervals and uplands of the Valley, which were left for the most part in their natural state. They understood however pretty well the culture of pumpkins, beans, tobacco, and maize, and selected with rare discrimination the soils best adapted to their production. When in the course of time, the soil became worn, they occasionally increased its fertility by dropping a fish in the corn hill at planting; but this is about the only instance that comes down to us of their use of fertilizers. These labors however, little relished by the lords of the forest, devolved principally upon their more patient squaws.

They also cleared other portions of the intervals which thereupon produced spontaneously and abundantly crops of a wild tall grass, resembling the prairie grass of the West, and which by an annual burning off in the autumn ever flourished luxuriantly. But they valued this merely as a food for the deer, which sought it in this vicinity, and at other points in great numbers. It was never cut and preserved, for no animals were domesticated to consume it. The nomads of the East have their flocks and herds, but it was not so with the Indians. Theirs was a lower social state than that of the modern Bedouin of the desert. The parts of the intervals not cleared, were covered with a dense growth of elms, bass, butternuts, maples and other deciduous trees.

The Indian made but a slight impress upon the natural features of our Valley. No vestiges of carefully constructed highways, no

crumbling arches of bridges that once spanned the streams, no mouldering ruins of stately buildings are anywhere to be found; for his highway was a forest trail, his bridge a prostrate tree, his house a fragile wigwam. An arrow-head, occasionally thrown up by the plow, or a few skeletons disinterred by modern excavations, now and then attest their former presence, and remind us that the tribes, once possessors of the lands we now occupy, are an extinct people, and that their language and their history are in a great measure obliterated.

Passaconway had the sagacity early to perceive that all attempts to stay the wave of English immigration rapidly overspreading the territory of his people, must be vain; that they must retreat inland at the approach of a superior race and yield to them their lands, now coveted for higher purposes than those to which the aborigines had devoted them. He adopted therefore a pacific policy, and sought relations of friendship with his new neighbors, and at his death, which occured about 1668, enjoined upon Wanalancet, his son and successor to the Sagamonship, a like course of action. This the latter carried out with fidelity, even at the cost of the fealty of a considerable portion of his people, who left him and fled to the hostile standard of Kancamagus.

We have before alluded to the discovery of the Merrimack by Champlain, whose name is still with us and attaches to the beautiful lake that laves the opposite shores of Northern New York and Vermont. Little however, was known of it for many years, and its entire course was supposed to be a continuation of that which it pursued from the sea to Pawtucket Falls. This misconception proved, ere long, a serious one, serving as it did for the boundary line of several important and extensive grants of territory. For the Marianna grant made in 1621, by the Plymouth Council to Mason, had for its Northeastern boundary line the "River Merrimack to the head waters thereof." So the Laconia Grant, made the following year, to Gorges and Mason, was bounded on the Southeast by this river. It also appears by the celebrated Wheelwright deed of 1629, to have been one of the boundary lines of the territory embraced in that instrument, and Mason's New Hampshire Grant had, too, for one of its lines "the Merrimack River to the farthest head thereof."

But where was "the farthest head thereof?" This became, ere many years, a question of grave importance to the residents in the Southern part of New Hampshire, for on the 31st of May, 1652, it was decided by the General Court of the Colony of Massachusetts Bay, that the extent of their North line was "from the Northernmost part of the river Merrimack, and three miles more North, where it is to be found, and thence upon a straight line, East and West, to either sea," a line somewhat more liberal than our Massachusetts friends were subsequently able to maintain, although in the language of the record, it was voted the true one, "by the whole Court," and the farthest head of the river, determined by their commissioners to be at Aquedahtan, at the outlet of "Winnapuscakit Lake."*

This might possibly have fixed the point for all coming time, had it not been for the fact that, a few miles below, another branch, of equal or superior volume, was found to exist, and which, pursuing a more Northerly course, could be traced to the very chin of the Profile of Cannon Mountain, in Franconia; and farther still, by various other tributaries, to the base of Moosehillock and to the Western slopes of the White Mountains, flowing now with a deep and silent current, beneath the shadows of the bordering woods, and then, at intervals, as if wearied with so staid a course, gliding swiftly down perilous rapids, or dashing over more perilous cascades, and throwing back, as in sport, the sunlight that penetrated anon the dense foliage that arched its way.

We would not, at this late day, ask which of these two streams was the true Merrimack, or at the sources of which "the farthest head thereof," was to be sought, as all questions depending thereon have been long settled; but rather, in a spirit of compromise and by a kind of gallant personification, regard one as the daughter of the magnificent Lake, which the great Spirit had adorned with wooded shores and green islands and his own smile, and the other as the stalwart son of the Old Man of the Mountain, whose face of rock, "the same yesterday, to-day, and for ages to come," ever

* These commissioners were Capt. Edward Johnson and Capt. Simon Willard. They decided August 1, 1652, that the farthest head of the Merrimack was at the outlet of Winnipisseogee Lake, and their initials have been found cut upon a large rock near this point.

watches with solicitude his outgoings, accord to each a separate independent importance and individuality. But when ere long, by some mysterious, divine sympathy, their streams converge, and the manly salutation of the latter rushing in hot haste over the Eastman falls, at Franklin, is answered by the milder, yet unmistakeably assenting response of the former, as just across the hill, she dances smilingly down her rocky way, and sweeps gracefully around the meadow's bank, the question of precedence is settled by a union nothing can sunder.

> For the Winnepesaukee, so sprightly and mild,
> Of a beauteous mother, the more beautiful child,
> Would you guess it, would you guess it ?
> Gives her fair self to the wild Pemigewasset.

From this point of union, thus formed, the Merrimack, with a broader stream, flows onward to the sea. For the first sixty miles its course is Southerly. At Chelmsford it makes a sudden deflection to the left, and thence in a direction a little North of East, pursues its way to the Atlantic, at Newburyport. It is enlarged from time to time, by many considerable tributaries, which increase very much the volume of its stream. The Contoocook enters it at Fisherville, and a few miles farther on the Soucook and the Suncook contribute their waters from the East, and the Turkey river its from the West. At Goffstown it receives the Piscataquog, and at Merrimack the Souhegan. At Nashua it receives the stream of that name, and others still, as we descend, contribute to swell its volume, until at length, a magnificent stream, its wide waters mingle with the wider waters of the Atlantic, and are lost, even as the streams of our earthly lives will ere long be lost, in the boundless life to which we are hastening.

There are many points along the river's course where its descent is rapid and abrupt, affording important powers for manufacturing purposes. The falls at Campton, Bridgewater and Franklin on the Pemigewasset ; and at Meredith, Sanbornton and Northfield on the Winnipisseogee, are considerable, and have been turned to profitable account. The most important, however, are on the Merrimack itself, which affords water powers scarcely surpassed by any in the country. The fall at Hookset is sixteen feet, that at Manchester fifty-four feet, that at Lowell thirty feet, and that at Lawrence twenty-six feet, while the aggregate fall,

from the outlet of Winnipisseogee Lake to the ocean, is no less than 478 feet.*

The Valley of the Merrimack presents several features of much interest to the geologist. The valley is not the work of the river, as is oftentimes the case, but is of an anterior origin, and must have been formed, either by denudation or by an upheaval of the strata on either side of it by a force acting from beneath. Subsequently to its formation, it has been partially filled up by extensive deposits of yellow diluvial sand. These may be seen at different points throughout nearly its entire length, varying however very much in depth and extent. Where the valley is narrow and its sides steep, these deposits, necessarily conformable to their boundaries, are also narrow; but where it widens and its sides have a gradual ascent, they are often several miles in width. In this vicinity, for instance, this formation, varying in depth from ten to seventy feet, extends for many miles in length up and down the river, and laterally some fifteen miles Westerly to Warner, and from three to seven miles Easterly and North Easterly to Pembroke and Loudon.

Where sections of this diluvium have been exposed by the river it has generally been found to consist of a light yellowish sand, occasionally underlaid by deposits of blue clay, not unfrequently lying in thin strata, and alternating with courses of sand with equal thickness. At other times it rests upon a bluish formation resembling marl, possessed of little adhesive power, and which whenever exposed to water is easily dissolved and undermines the superincumbent sand. An instance of this may be seen at the base of the bluff opposite that part of our interval known as the Fan, where during a single season a tract of plain land three rods in width was undermined and precipitated into the river. The clay formation may be seen cropping out at various points not far distant, as on the south shore of Horse Shoe Pond, on the west bank of the river, at Farnum's eddy, and at several points near the centre of East Concord village.

Until within some fifteen or twenty years the extensive diluvial deposits known as the Plain, in Concord, was covered with a dense growth of hard pine, the "Pinus Rigida" of the botanists. This has been mostly removed and large portions of the plain are

* See Dr. Jackson's Geological Survey of New Hampshire.

now devoted to tillage. As the traveller passes up and down the valley, he will observe this lying upon both sides of the river, divided by a gorge of varying width, the flat bottom of which constitutes our interval or meadows, as they are elsewhere more generally called. This has undoubtedly been excavated by the river, whose stream, originally of equal elevation with the plains, has been for ages wandering from side to side, across its whole extent, now in this direction and now in that, and all the while deepening its channel as it flowed, until at length reaching the rocky formation beneath, its descent has been arrested and fixed where it now remains. During this period it has staggered through numberless devious courses, many of which may be easily traced. They are generally curvilinear, the stream having encroached upon and washed away the bank on one side, while it receded from and made deposits upon the shore opposite. While this depression of the channel was progressing the new made land was at first left at a lower elevation than that upon the opposite side, so that the comparative height of a particular section of interval not unfrequently indicates the comparative age of its formation.*

Sometimes however these changes of the river's course are sudden and violent. The map of Concord, made in 1726, or thereabouts, shows two considerable tongues of land, lying beside and projecting by one another, but upon opposite sides of the river, which here pursued a devious course around and between them. In the course of time the distance in a direct line across the base of the first of these became reduced to about thirty rods, while the actual distance around it described by the river was no less than two hundred and thirty. Apparently wearied with this long circuit and preferring a shorter course, the river, during a freshet in 1824 made a direct breach, across the neck of this peninsular, and cut for itself a new channel in a single night, thereby transferring some thirty acres of land from its East to its West side. A few years later, the other projection was in like manner

* The sections of interval on the North and South sides of Wattanummons Brook illustrates this principle. Upon the latter the first settlers of Penacook found standing in 1727 the wigwams of the Indian sachem from whom this brook has derived its name, while very much of the former has been inside the limits of the river's channel within the memory of numerous persons now living.

cut off from the West and left upon the East side. The channels thus abandoned have been gradually filling up, and tons of hay are now annually cut where the river has flowed within a period of some thirty-five years.

The ordinary abrasions of the river's banks occur for the most part during the subsidence of freshets when the water in the channel is high and the current strong.* A fresh North-West wind usually follows a freshet and urges the subsiding waters with much force against the steep banks. The result is the undermining and precipitation of them into the stream, by which the earth composing them is carried down and deposited outside the current, upon the flats below. These, thus gradually elevated, in a few years, rise above the water at its low stages, and ere long are covered with the willow and the white maple, which serve to arrest still more, the floating sand in times of high water, while, after a few years lapse, they not unfrequently attain an elevation that renders them profitable for cultivation.

The rebound of the river to the opposite shore, and its subsequent deflection back again, causes the sweeping curves of its channel, with which we are all familiar. It is however, a noticeable fact, that the river always cuts upon a Southerly shore and recedes from a Northerly one. I think this will be found upon extended observation to be true as a general rule. The cause is readily traced to the Southerly course of the river's current, and the prevalence of the North-westerly winds which accompany the freshets.

We pass now to the settlement of the Valley by the English. The first permanent settlement by white persons was at Quascacunquen, or Newbury. The historian Hubbard says, "the plantation at Agawam, now Ipswich, Mass., became so filled with inhabitants that some of them presently swarmed out into another place, a little further Eastward." In consequence of the crowded state of this settlement, the Rev. Thomas Parker, with a small colony who had emigrated from Wiltshire, in England, the year before, left Agawam in the Spring of 1635, and passing by boats through

* Very rarely does a spring pass without the occurrence of one or more spring freshets. Sometimes as many as three high ones have been known in a single season. The maximum perpendicular rise of the river above low water, in this vicinity, has been about twenty feet. During the ordinary freshets it varies from five or six to twelve or fifteen feet.

Plum Island Sound, made a settlement at Newbury. In the division of the lands which was soon after made, the scripture principle, "to him that hath shall be given," was curiously applied, and each settler received, in proportion to his ability to live without it, from ten to ten hundred and eighty acres of land.

The settlement was a prosperous one, and in a few years became populous beyond the expectations of its proprietors. Soon more land was wanted and explorations were made of the country farther up the river, and as a result, the Rev. John Ward, with twelve others, mostly from Newbury, made a settlement in 1640, on the North side of the river at Pentucket, and laid the foundations of Haverhill. For about seventy years this was a frontier town, and none in the entire valley suffered so much from Indian barbarity as did this. The stories of the repeated atrocities perpetrated upon its exposed inhabitants are familiar to us all.

During the same year (1640,) Rev. Ezekiel Rogers, who had recently emigrated from Rowley, in England, with his people, commenced another settlement near by, upon the opposite side of the river, which was the origin of Bradford. The Indian title to the township was not extinguished until more than half a century afterwards, (1701,) when it was purchased of the three heirs of Maschonomontic for six pounds and ten shillings, as appears by their deed of conveyance, bearing their respective characteristic signatures of a bow and arrow, a new moon and a serpent.

Two years previous to this, a grant was made of a plantation, on the North side of the river, opposite Newbury, to Simon Bradstreet, Dan'l Denison, and others. It was incorporated the next year by the name of Colchester, which was changed in 1640, to that of Salisbury. Upon the union of New Hampshire with Massachusetts in 1643, it became the shire town of the new county of Norfolk, and continued such until 1679, when a separate royal government was established in New Hampshire.

A few years later, in 1643, a settlement, mostly English, was made at Andover. The town was incorporated three years afterwards, and the Indian title to the lands was extinguished by a purchase made by Rev. Mr. Woodbridge, of Catschamache, Sagamore of the Massachusetts Indians, for a coat and six pounds in money.

Ten years after this, a quaintly worded petition was presented

to the General Court of Massachusetts, signed by thirty-nine persons, residents of Woburn and Concord, praying for a grant of land near Pawtucket Falls. This petition, which represents this locality "as a very comfortable place to accommodate a company of God's people upon," was granted; and in the course of eighteen months a settlement was commenced, a minister installed, and provision made for his support. This was the commencement of Chelmsford.

At some time previous to 1675, an important settlement was made at Dunstable by persons, in part at least, from Boston and vicinity. During King Philips' war, owing to the exposed condition of the township, all its citizens, with a single exception, retired to places of greater security in the lower towns. Col. John Tyng, however, who seems to have had little fear of the Indians, determined to remain upon the ground he considered rightfully his own, and defend it if he could. This purpose, which we are forced to admire, notwithstanding its rashness, he was enabled with the assistance of a few soldiers, sent him by the colony, to accomplish, so that this settlement was never wholly abandoned, even temporarily, as was the case with some others.

We pass on now some forty-five years to subsequent settlements, still farther up the river. About the time the Pilgrims emigrated to Plymouth, considerable numbers of Scotch Presbyterians, influenced by similar reasons, crossed the Irish Sea and planted themselves in the Northern part of Ireland, in the county of Ulster. We have not time to allude to the persecutions they suffered there. The siege of Derry is among the most memorable recorded in history. When a century had elapsed, a portion of their descendants, desiring a greater degree of freedom than was there accorded them, determined to seek new homes in New England. They arrived in Boston in 1718, and after careful inquiries and explorations had been made, a part of them with their pastor, the Rev. James McGregor, commenced a settlement at Londonderry. The enterprise was consecrated, on the very day of their arrival, by religious services under a large oak, on the Eastern shore of Beaver Pond.

It is to these Scotch Irish people, as they have been termed, that we owe the introduction of the potatoe to New England, and perhaps also, the culture and manufacture of flax. Accessions were

made from time to time to their number, and from this town several others, in the vicinity, received considerable numbers of their first settlers. This was particularly true of Bedford and Dunbarton.

Thus far Londonderry seems to have been the most Northern settlement upon the river. The boundary line of Massachusetts and New Hampshire was as yet unadjusted, and both colonies were quite willing at this time to make grants in this vicinity to actual settlers in their interest. When therefore, in 1725, a grant of territory at Penacook, to be actually settled by one hundred persons of substance and approved character, and their families, was sought of the General Court of Massachusetts, it was readily granted.

The settlement of Penacook was commenced in the course of two or three years, a church was organized, and a minister installed. It was incorporated by the General Court of Massachusetts in 1733, by the name of Rumford. This name was subsequently changed to that of Concord, when, in 1765, soon after the termination of the long controversy with the Proprietors of Bow, it was re-incorporated by the Legislature of New Hampshire.

We have thus briefly glanced at the principle settlements in the Merrimack Valley. Several others were made in the vicinity of Penacook at about this time. Pembroke, which had been granted in 1727 to the heirs and associates of the intrepid Lovewell, in consideration of gallant services against the Indians, began to be settled in 1729. In a year or two afterwards a settlement was commenced at Canterbury, and in 1734 a company of energetic and substantial men from Newbury laid the foundations of Contoocook, subsequently incorporated by the name of Boscawen; while some sixteen years later, another, composed principally of persons from Kingston, began to cut away the forest and prepare for themselves homes at Bakerstown, now Salisbury.

Several general facts arrest the attention of every one investigating the early settlement of this Valley. Allusion has already been made to its physical condition when our forefathers first entered it. An unbroken wilderness extended its entire length from the "Quascatunquen" to the "Winepesaukee," and if we except the diluvial plains immediately upon the river, it shaded a soil, much of it strong and fertile. The woods were alive with game,

and the streams yielded fish in great abundance. Salmon is a luxury in which but few now indulge, yet tradition asserts that the time was, when laborers letting themselves to service not unfrequently stipulated that they should not be compelled to eat salmon, in the season of it, more than five days in a week.

The settlement of Massachusetts Bay was followed almost immediately by a large English immigration, and as the immigrants generally depended for a livelihood upon agriculture, the more desirable lands in the vicinity of Boston, Salem, Ipswich, and other towns near the coast, where the first comers had located, were soon occupied; others, from necessity, were sought farther inland. It is not surprizing therefore, that the Merrimack Valley, not very distant, and very inviting from its rich agricultural resources, should have early attracted their notice. Indeed, hardly seven years had elapsed, from the settlement of Boston, before the foundations of Newbury had been laid.

The early settlers were for the most part English and had been born and bred in the old country. They came to New England with their families, many of them, not merely to benefit their worldly condition, but seeking a wider religious toleration than they could hope for at home. Unconsciously indeed to themselves, they came, led on by Providence for the high purpose of assisting in founding a new State, and of inaugurating in a new world, new principles whose full developement and expansion the existing religious and political prejudices of the old, would not tolerate. A religious element is every where apparent in their movements. Wherever they went their religious teachers led them on, and provisions for the maintenance of religion were among the earliest made. Their clergymen were the best educated and most cultivated body of men among them, and their counsels were ever eagerly sought and freely given. Rev. Thomas Parker was one of the very first of the settlers on the ground, at Newbury. The same may be said of Rev. Ezekiel Rogers, of Bradford; of Rev. John Ward, of Haverhill; of Rev. John Woodbridge, of Andover; of Rev. James McGregor, of Londonderry; of Rev. Timothy Walker, of Concord; of Rev. James Scales, of Canterbury, as well as of several others whose names we must now pass.

Indeed, very many of the old township grants contain express provisions making their privileges conditional upon the immediate

settlement of a learned minister of approved principles. Nor did they forget the cause of education, and one proprietary share of all the lands of the township was frequently exclusively devoted to the support of Schools.

For nearly two hundred years from its settlement, the people of the Merrimack Valley had been almost exclusively devoted to agricultural pursuits. But another great industrial interest was destined ere long to claim their attention, and the great waterfalls of Andover, Pawtucket, Amoskeag, as well as others of less importance, were to be abandoned as fishing places and their vicinities made the sites of populous cities.

The various manufactured articles of domestic consumption, imported to a great extent from abroad, were excessively dear half a century ago, and many of them quite beyond the enjoyment of persons of moderate means. This was particularly the case with cotton and woolen cloths, articles of prime necessity in every household. Nor did the raising and spinning of wool and flax in limited quantities by the farmers of the country meet the universal want. The country needed and felt the need of home manufactures on an extended scale, and the general necessity soon devised means for its relief.

As early as 1793, a company erected and put in operation a proper and regularly constructed factory at the falls of the Parker River, at Byfield Parish, in Newbury, Mass. Its machinery was made at Newburyport, and among its first stockholders was the Hon. William Bartlett of that place. It was originally designed for the manufacture of woolen cloths, but was subsequently changed to a cotton mill. This is asserted to have been the first American Factory, although an adverse claim has been made in favor of another alleged to have been started in Rhode Island some three years previous. A few years later, in 1816, Francis C. Lowell, Patrick T. Jackson, and Kirk Boot, aided by the eminent machinest, Paul Moody, availing themselves of the important improvements of Hargreaves and Arkwright, erected a cotton mill at Waltham, and for the first time in the United States put in operation the power loom.

The success of this enterprise determined its originators to continue it upon a more extended scale. In looking around for a water power sufficient and constant, Pawtucket Falls was selected,

and four hundred acres of land in its vicinity having been purchased in 1821, a mill was erected the following year. This was the commencement of Lowell. Its population numbered 200 in 1820; in 1844 it was 25,163, and in 1853 it had risen to 37.000.

Within the limits we have assigned to the Merrimack Valley, another enterprise of a similar character was started a few years afterwards at Dunstable, of which the city of Nashua is the result.

These manufactures proved profitable to their stockholders and the further extension of them was deemed advisable. Amoskeag Falls, one of the finest water powers upon the river, where it makes a sudden descent of 47 feet, was next sought as the nucleus of a new city. Samuel Blodgett, with a courage and perseverance worthy of a more important success than ever resulted to him, had built a canal around these falls as early as 1816, at an expense of $60.000, and some twenty-five years afterwards the foundations of Manchester were laid. Upon these has since been reared the most populous city of New Hampshire.

But we must forbear farther allusions to the developements of this great interest at Newburyport, Lawrence, and other places of minor importance.

Several important results have followed the establishment and growth of the manufacturing interest in our Valley:—

The enterprise of its patrons has been rewarded by remunerative returns from their investments.

A ready market near at hand has been secured to the farmers resident in the vicinity of manufacturing towns for all the surplus products of their lands.

A very material reduction in the price of many important articles of domestic consumption has followed. As early as 1839 cotton cloth had fallen in price to about one third of what it was in 1816.

A new impulse has been given to the increase of the population of the Valley. The Census Reports for the last half century show this most conclusively. Its entire population from the forks of the river at Franklin, to its outlet at the ocean, was but 50,150 in 1810, and during the next ten years it increased but 3,028. In the following ten years, (from 1820 to 1830) there was an increase of about one thousand per year, the population in 1830 being only 63,169. But during the period intervening between 1830 and

1840, we find the increase to have been more than twice as great, amounting at the latter date to 86,188 — some six thousand more than the entire population of the State of New Hampshire at the commencement of the Revolution. And if we look still farther we shall find that the ten years preceding the close of the first half of this century show the still greater increase of thirty-six and a half thousand (36,521.) The great cause of this accelerated increase of population is doubtless principally due to the growth of the manufacturing interest; for the same authorities also show that while in 1820 the number of persons engaged in agriculture were about twice and a half the number of those engaged in manufactures, (6,958 and 2,808) in 1840 the number of the latter was nearly double that of the former, (18,444 and 11,213) while the population of Lawrence and Lowell alone in 1845 numbered nearly twenty-two thousand, (21,868) exceeding probably the whole number of farmers in the entire Valley.

The magnitude of our manufacturing interest is not generally appreciated, and a careful study of its authenticated returns will astonish persons not familiar with it. Look for a moment at a single branch of it. The whole amount of capital invested in the manufacture of cotton throughout the United States in 1850, was $74,500,931, more than one half of which was in New Hampshire and Massachusetts; while of the sixty-two millions dollars worth of manufactured products, these two States furnished twenty-eight and a half millions, a very considerable proportion of which came from the Valley of the Merrimack.

The rapidity with which this great interest has advanced is indicated as plainly perhaps, as in any other way, by the growth of the city of Lowell. Commencing with a population of 200 in 1820 it increased to 3,532 in 1828; to 6,467 in 1830; to 10,254 in 1832; to 12,993 in 1833; to 18,010 in 1837; to 20,981 in 1840; to 25,163 in 1844; to 33,383 in 1850; to 37,000 in 1853.

But our Valley boasts a nobler product than any of the soil or loom,—a product of industrious, intelligent and high souled men, and whenever called upon by the State, the country, or the world, of these it has ever made liberal contribution. In most of the great enterprises and actions that are the subjects of our American annals it has been represented, and oftentimes most ably.

It was the design of the speaker to present to you, on this occasion, the names of some of the natives and residents of this Valley who stand prominent in our general and local histories, for in all the various walks of life there have been many who have attained to eminent positions. There have been pious and learned clergymen; wise and patriotic statesmen; able advocates and lawyers; skillful and devoted physicians, surrounded by an agricultural and manufacturing population noted for its intelligence, its virtue and its industry; but the length of the roll and the delicacy of the task compels the relinquishment of the purpose. Gladly would we tarry to refresh your knowledge of such men as Parker, Barnard, Rogers, Woodbury, Walker, McGregor and Woods, devoted ministers whose piety, good sense and sound learning have done so much to mould the characters of their own and subsequent generations upon the shores of this river; to call to your mind such names as those of Parsons, Thornton, the Websters, the Bells, and others, men who have done honor to themselves and to us as patriots, lawyers or statesmen in many a critical period of our country's history, and by no means forgetting Lovewell, and Stark, and Goffe, and Rogers, to whose valor we owe so much. But our time is well nigh spent. Yet we cannot forget, in passing, to do respectful homage to America's greatest statesman — for Webster was a native of this Valley. Here he received no small portion of the early training which was to prepare him for the great achievements of his after life. And with honest pride we may remember that while his tomb is elsewhere his birthplace will ever remain with us.

Strolling thus through the Valley, this summer's afternoon, recalling its history and viewing its condition, the question arises, what attracts to this locality the busy population here centered in towns and there scattered over the intervening country? And if, when it is responded, that the attraction may be found in the rich intervals, now verdant with promises of golden harvests, and in the waterfalls that turn the ponderous wheels of our great mills. we feel only half satisfied, and childlike ask again, but whence the waterfalls and the intervals? nature answers, that to the Merrimack we owe them both — the Merrimack upon whose banks we have stood a thousand times, but of whose industry and mighty

excavations in ages past we have scarcely thought. But if, still unsatisfied, we would seek its origin and "the farthest head thereof," we must go beyond "Aquedahtan," beyond the little streams hastening downward from the sides of the mountains, beyond the vapors that condense upon their summits; upward and farther upward, to the bosom of Him from whom all streams of blessing flow and whose presence is veiled in majesty impenetrable.

REPORT

On the alterations in the Channel of Merrimack River. Read before the New Hampshire Historical Society at its Annual Meeting, in June, 1853.

In compliance with a vote of this Society, passed at its annual meeting in June, 1852, by which the undersigned was requested to examine and report what changes or alterations have taken place in the bed or channel of the Merrimack River, the following Report is submitted as the result of his investigations upon that subject.

The changes in the channel of the Merrimack have been effected by two different and distinct causes; one of which may be termed *natural*, the other *artificial*. The former is caused by the operation of water alone, while the latter is effected by the genius of man, aided more or less by the operation of water. Most of the changes of the latter description have been produced by the operations of the Northern Railroad Company.

This road, which extends from Concord to the Connecticut River at Lebanon, is constructed as far as Franklin, a distance of eighteen miles, on the west bank of Merrimack River. On thus locating the road, the company found formidable obstructions to the progress of their enterprise at three several points, to wit: at Farnum's eddy, at a point opposite Sewall's Island, and at Goodwin's point, all of which are in Concord.

The first of these obstructions, (at Farnum's eddy,) occurs about two miles northerly from the commencement of the road at the Concord station. A little above this place the river made a sudden curve and ran in a S. W. direction, throwing the water with great force against a high bluff of clay and gravel, which forced the river again in a southerly direction, and formed its western bank. The river had made such encroachments upon this bluff that it had become precipitous, and no place existed on which

a foundation for the road could be constructed. To avoid this difficulty and to supply the deficiency, the company resorted to the expedient of filling up and rubbling with stones the western side of the river's channel at this point, which was successfully effected, though at considerable expense, the river being very deep.

This operation caused the water to be thrown upon the eastern or opposite shore with such force as to carry away a large quantity of the land, and make heavy encroachments upon the owners of the soil on that side of the river, to the extent of at least twelve rods wide, and forty or fifty rods in the direction of the channel.

The next impediment, opposite Sewall's Island, is some two miles above the former. That branch of the river which flowed on the west side of the island was much the largest of the two, and passed directly at the foot of a high and steep bank, rendering it impracticable to construct the road at that place. To obviate that difficulty a dam was constructed across the western branch of the river at its bifurcation at the north end of the island, by which process all the water of the river was made to flow through the narrow eastern channel. This caused extensive inroads to be made upon the proprietors of land on the eastern side of the river, who suffered largely by the depredation committed by the water. More than two hundred rods in length, and from twenty to twenty-five rods in width, were swept away. The river having been made to flow through the eastern channel, an unobstructed way was opened for the construction of the railroad directly over Sewall's Island.

Upon arriving at the head of Sewall's falls, some five or six miles from the commencement of the road, at a place called Goodwin's Point, an obstruction still more formidable presented itself. Goodwin's Point is a peninsula or long tongue of land made by a sudden bend in the river from a southerly to a westerly direction, running for the distance of more than two hundred rods, to a high and precipitous bluff upon which the river was making annual encroachments. This obstruction caused the river to make a short and sudden sweep to the south and S. E., returning, after flowing four to five hundred rods to a point *south*, and within one hundred rods of the place of its departure from its accustomed southerly course, forming a curve in the form of an ox-bow. In consequence of this obstruction it became impracticable to construct

the railroad on the western side of the river at this point. It became necessary, therefore, either to build and maintain two expensive bridges within the space of one hundred rods, or to cut a new channel for the river across the base of the peninsula, and cause the water to flow in that direction, and thus permit the railroad to be built across the peninsula and on the west side of the river. The company chose the latter expedient, and the Merrimack now flows but about one hundred rods to reach a point, which, before the alteration it traversed four hundred to five hundred rods.

The excavation for this new channel, across the base of Goodwin's Point, was commenced in the fall of 1845. While prosecuting the work in the spring of 1846, the workmen, at the depth of about 12 feet, struck upon a bed or stratum of vegetable matter, consisting of leaves, branches and trunks of small trees, the latter from three to six inches in diameter; the form of which was perfect, and the bark distinct. The texture was decayed and tender, offering but little resistance to edge tools, and was easily separated and picked to pieces by the fingers.

This vegetable deposit was found imbedded in a stratum of fine blue sand, which at first sight was mistaken for blue clay, and was from one to three inches in thickness. The leaves and other small materials of the deposit were so disorganized and delicate, that their botanical character could not be established with the means at hand. But the trunks and large branches were recognized as belonging to the natural order coniferæ, and ranked under what are denominated *evergreens*.

From the above facts it is evident that at some remote period unknown to the present race, the place where these vegetable remains were deposited formed the bed or channel of the Merrimack; that it gradually receded from the East as it succeeded in wearing away the bluff on the West, and depositing the alluvium thus made toward the point from which it receded. Thus by an operation constantly and silently going on, a large tract of valuable and productive alluvial land, here called *interval*, was, in process of time deposited and formed.

The foregoing embrace all the essential alterations that have been artificially made in the channel of the Merrimack.

Another instance of an ancient bed of the river has, however, recently been discovered. In the Autumn of 1852, while excavating for the gasometer at the south end of the principal village of Concord, preparatory to the erection of the gas-works, the workmen, at the depth of ten feet below the surface, struck upon a deposit of vegetable matter, consisting of fragments of the roots, trunks and branches of trees. They were found deposited in a stratum of ferruginous sand, (composed of sand and oxide of iron) and in some instances the fragments of roots and branches of trees were completely incased in a firm coating or crust of the oxide of iron and sand from one eighth to one half an inch in thickness. Immediately above the vegetable deposit was a stratum of black magnetic-iron sand, such as is used for desiccating ink on paper to prevent blotting. It would average an inch in thickness. Next above the stratum of iron-sand rested a deposit of blue clay. Above the clay were alternate but regular strata of fine and coarse sand, fine and coarse gravel and pebbles of various and unequal thickness; all showing indubitable marks of having been deposited by the agency of water. This deposit was found at an elevation many feet above where the waters of the Merrimack ever reach in modern times, even at its highest overflow.

My attention was first called to this interesting deposit through the kindness of the Hon. Matthew Harvey, and with him immediately visited the locality and made all needful examination, and collected a good supply of specimens for future use.

The *natural* causes of changes in the channel of the Merrimack will next engage our attention.

Wherever there are bottom or interval lands bordering the Merrimack, we find changes in its channel almost constantly taking place. But little of such land exists on the Merrimack, either *above Boscawen, or below Concord.* Between the towns of Franklin and Northfield, however, there is a small tract of interval, but not of sufficient magnitude to admit of any considerable change in the channel of the river. Between the towns of Boscawen and Canterbury, these bottom lands become much more extensive, through which the river, in its meanderings, is constantly, though for the most of the time slowly, wearing away its banks at sundry points, filling in on the opposite side, and thereby changing the channel of the stream.

But by far the most extensive expansion of interval lands lies within the town of Concord, and it is here that the most extensive changes in the channel of the Merrimack have taken place; and here also has been the principal theatre of our examinations. But little doubt can exist in the mind of any one who has bestowed his thoughts upon the subject, that the whole expanse of the wide and extensive interval lands lying within this town, has been traversed by the Merrimack. Wherever excavations have been made, indubitable marks of the ancient bed of the river, and depositions caused by the action of water are met with. It is generally conceded, and in fact I think it hardly admits of a doubt, that the present bed of the Lagoon called Horse-shoe Pond, at some period, perhaps not very remote, formed the channel of the Merrimack.

Wherever abrasions or wearing away of the bank on one side of the river takes place, there is a corresponding filling in on the opposite, and these operations are constantly going on at the curves and bends of the stream. The greatest and most signal changes are produced, however, by the resistless power of water during the great overflows or high floods, when great encroachments, and sometimes extensive ravages are committed, causing a great loss of property, but occasionally enriching one man at the expense of his more unfortunate neighbor. The water, being thrown against the bank on one side of the river, is, by the resisting force there met with, reflectingly forced in the direction of the opposite bank, although at some distance below, and in its turn wearing that away also. By this process the channel of the river grows more and more crooked and tortuous, and in process of time great changes and even revolutions in the channel of the river are effected.

Beginning at the north, the first considerable inroads made by the action of the water we have met with, beside those already named, at Goodwin's Point and at Sewall's Island, occurs on the east side of the river below Sewall's Island, carrying away the land of the Messrs. Locke and others to the amount of twenty-five rods in width by two hundred in length. Passing by Farnum's Eddy, already described, we next arrive at the angle of the river above the *old* site of the Federal Bridge, where the river takes a sudden turn from a southerly to an easterly direction.

Here the water has made considerable encroachment upon the south side, and carried off much of the land opposite the Squaw-lot, so-called, but the owners of the land there have rubbled the bank, hoping to check further depredation. Previous to this however, the water had carried off a tract of interval twenty-five rods in its greatest width, by one hundred and twenty-five rods in length. At the Federal Bridge, as now located, which is some forty rods east of its former location, the river turns again southerly, or rather south-easterly; consequently the water, by impinging upon the eastern bank has carried off a large quantity of the land, so that within the memory of the present inhabitants at the East village, the rocks, now to be seen on the *west* side of the river, (and considerable inland too,) below Federal Bridge, formerly served as resting places on which the people were wont to sit and fish on the *eastern* side. By the resistance here met with the water rebounds and is forced diagonally across the bed of the stream to the west side striking with such force against that part of the interval called the *Fan*, as to make great and rapid inroads upon land owned by Abiel Walker, to the amount of eighty rods in length by thirty-five to forty in width, so that rocks, now to be seen far to the *north*, on land of Jonathan Eastman, Esq., were on the *south* bank of the river within fifty years. This operation produced a sudden bend in the river to the north east, directly against a high sandy bluff called Sugar-ball. Here the river turns upon itself at an acute angle, being forced south, which course it pursued some sixty rods. And here we arrive at the greatest and most important changes that have taken place in the channel of the Merrimack. From the point last arrived at, the river ran in a south-west direction, to Fort Eddy, a distance of one hundred and twenty-five rods, where meeting with a higher elevation of land it was forced south and east and soon to the north-east, which course it pursued two hundred and fifty rods to Kimball's Ferry, at the foot of the eastern bluff, a little south of Sugar-ball. At this point the river was again forced in a south-west direction, and after pursuing that course for one hundred and twenty-five rods, it arrived at the place where it was intersected by the *present* channel as the river now runs.

By these two sudden bends in the channel, two long ox-bow like curves were formed by the river inclosing two narrow tongues

of land or peninsulas, formerly from forty to eighty rods in width by one hundred and twenty-five rods in length. That included within the Northern ox-bow was known as *Sugar-ball Point*, and that within the southern as *Hale's Point*. Over the latter, (Hale's Point,) passed the road from Main street, at Herbert's, to Kimball's Ferry. In order to a correct understanding of the situation and extent of these peninsulas it is important to consult maps of the river, made at different periods. By the map of 1746, we learn that at that time Hale's Point was much wider than Sugar-ball Point; while by that of 1804, we learn that at that date the contrary was true. The width of each was more uniform in 1746 than in 1804, when each had become narrowed at the place of union with the main land, forming a sort of neck. This neck continued to grow narrower by the action of the water from above, until the great freshet of 1826, when a large mass of the eastern portion of Sugar-ball point was swept away, and in the great overflow of 1828, a breach was made quite across the peninsula, forming an island on the west, now owned by Richard Bradley, Esq. The river, by flowing through this new channel spent its full force upon the northern shore of Hale's Point, rapidly wearing it away, so that as early as January, 1831, during a great winter freshet, the water completed a channel for the river entirely across that also, cutting the road to Kimball's Ferry, which it left one hundred and twenty-five rods to the east, while the river, intersecting the accustomed channel on the south, pursued its way toward the place of its destination.

In performing a journey around these curves the water of the river flowed over a space of some four hundred and sixty rods, to reach a point at which it now arrives in flowing one hundred and fifty rods, or one-third of the original distance.

From this last cut off, at Hale's Point, the river pursues a south west course to a little above *Free Bridge*, so called, where it sweeps round to the S. E. making extensive encroachment upon the west bank, both above and below the bridge, to the extent since 1804, of twenty-five rods in width. But further encroachment upon the land of Joseph P. Stickney, above the bridge, has been recently arrested by rubbling the west bank. From a little below the bridge the river pursues a south-east course for about two hundred rods to a high bluff, called Davis' bluff. At the top

of this bluff a Mr. Davis had a patch of about two acres of land on which was a house, out-buildings, orchard, &c. To the south-east of the Davis place, and still farther from the river, was situated the Branch Turnpike, so called. Against this bluff the water rushes with considerable force, constantly wearing it away, more especially for the last ten years, within which time the whole of the Davis place has been carried off, and the excavation has approached to within a few feet of the turnpike. Meeting with this resistance, the river is again forced to the south-west, to a little above the lower or Concord Bridge, one hundred rods distant, where it again sweeps to the south-east. At this turn as at all others, the water has worn away the bank against which it impinges above the bridge, until it approached and even encroached upon the main travel road to the bridge, and was only prevented from washing that away by rubbling the bank of the river at that place.

The foregoing embrace all the alterations and changes worthy of note that have been effected or taken place in the channel of the Merrimack for the last fifty years.

It may be well here to remark again that wherever there has been a wearing away of *one* bank of the river there has been a corresponding filling in on the *opposite*, so that in the main, the width of the river is not materially changed.

Much credit and many thanks are due to Jonathan Eastman, Esq., of Concord, a practical Surveyor, for the loan of a copy of the map of Concord of 1804,* for the purpose of comparison, and for his assistance in ascertaining the location and extent of the several changes in the channel of the Merrimack.

Also, to Richard Bradley, Joseph P. Stickney and Lyman A. Walker, Esquires, of Concord, for pointing out by actual examination on the spot, many of the important changes which have taken place in the channel of the river.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM PRESCOTT.

Concord, June, 1853.

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*A copy of this Map is deposited in the Library of the N. H. Hist. Soc., with the changes in the River marked with red lines.

APPENDIX

To the Report on the alterations in the channel of Merrimack River.

Ten years having elapsed since the report to which this is an appendix was made, and many important changes in the channel of the river having taken place within that period, it seems important and very desirable that a record of such changes should be made and thus bring the report down to the present time.

Beginning at the north and proceeding south, the first important change in the bed of the river occurs on its eastern shore opposite Sewall's Island, and extending for a considerable distance below. Here the water has washed away the valuable land belonging to the Messrs. Locke and others for a distance of more than two hundred rods in length, and from five to eight rods in width.

The river has made considerable inroads also, opposite and below Farnum's Eddy. By rubbling the south bank, opposite the Squaw lot, the encroachment at that point has been checked. But on land of Jonathan Eastman, Esq., below Federal Bridge, the water is annually making large encroachment. From this point the water is thrown with great force upon the north side of the *Fan*, so called, where it is rapidly washing away the land of Lyman A. Walker, (formerly Abiel Walker's) having carried off no less than three acres in the spring of 1862.

The excavation made at this point has increased the bend in the river by which the current is being thrown still further toward the north striking with great force against Sugar-ball bluff, a sand bank, from seventy-five to one hundred feet in height. Of this mass, the water has carried off within the last ten years, no less than forty rods wide by eighty long, with a corresponding filling in of the opposite side, so that the channel of the river at this point, (the Sugar-ball) is forty rods further to the east than it was in 1853.

For the first time within the memory of our oldest citizens, the river has made, within a few years, large encroachments upon its south-eastern bank and above the Free Bridge, where in the spring of 1862, the flood carried off a large margin of land for Joseph P. Stickney, together with a barn standing thereon, and

another barn was only saved from the same fate by removing it further inland.

These successive floods have continued their devastations also, at Davis' Bluff, and carried off Branch Turnpike, beside several rods farther inland. A new road that had been made around the bluff as a substitute, united with the turnpike again at the house of Mr. Wyatt, which was supposed at the time to be out of further danger. The freshet of 1863 cut that off and and approached to within a few feet of Mr. W.'s house, rendering it necessary to remove the same before another year. The encroachment at that place was so rapid that a margin of three rods wide was carried away in as many days.

During the great flood in the spring of 1862, the water for almost or quite the first time, committed considerable damage below the lower or Concord Bridge, where on the east side, it has excavated large and deep holes, washed and gullyed the Pembroke road, carried off a small bridge, &c. Another such overflow will be likely to be attended with still greater disaster.

It is supposed by many that the increase of damage upon the Fan, Sugar-ball, and Stickney's land, is caused by the construction of the Boston, Concord & Montreal railroad across the interval from the R. R. station to Federal Bridge. Doubtless much of the surplus water which, during an overflow, spread out over the interval, and passed off gently into the river below, is now forced to seek an outlet in the vicinity of Federal Bridge, causing a greater accumulation of water at that point, which, rushing down against the northern side of the Fan, to be in its turn thrown also against Sugar-ball and Mr. Stickney's land, very materially increased the destruction of the land at those places.

WILLIAM PRESCOTT.

Concord, April 1863.

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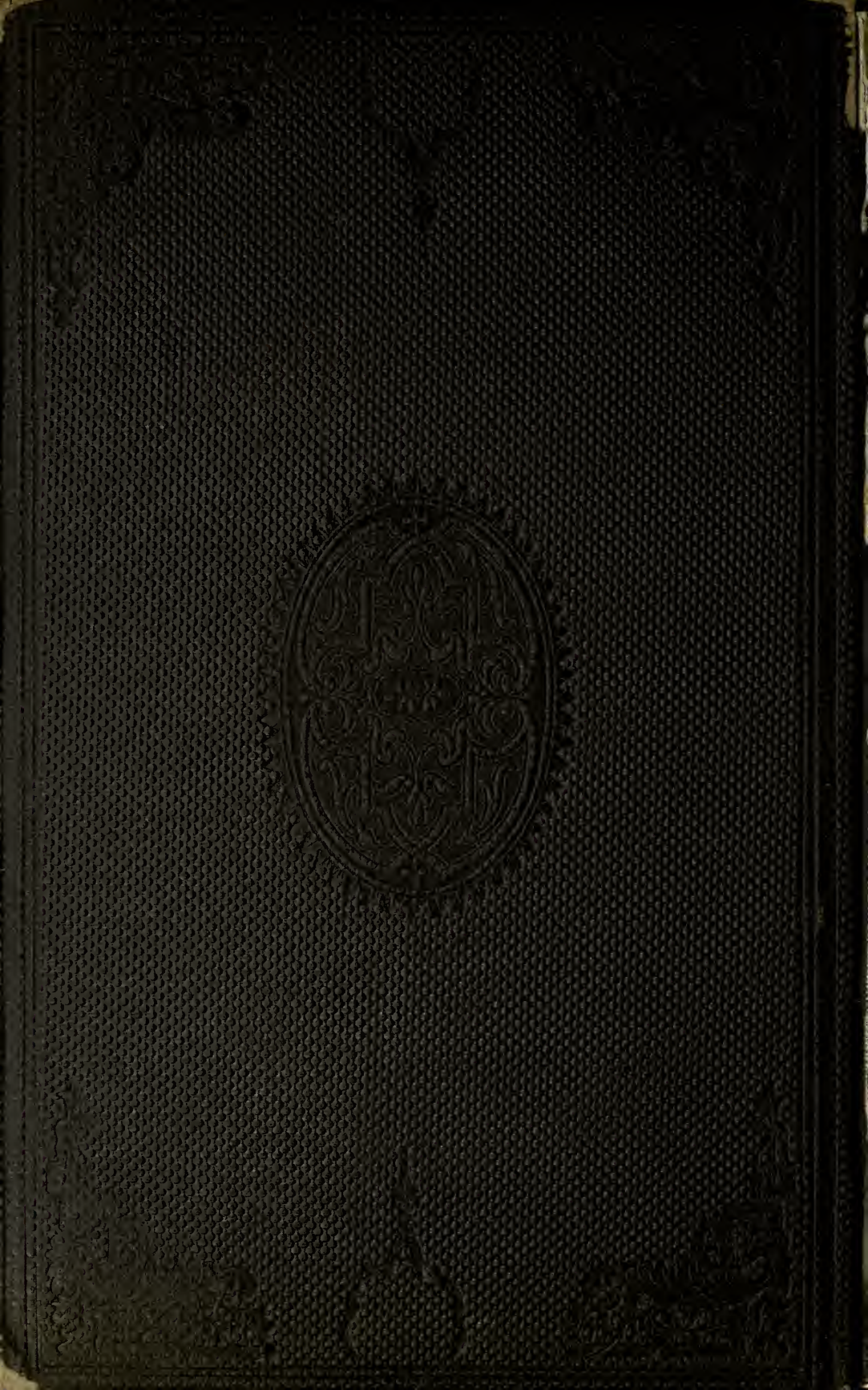
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